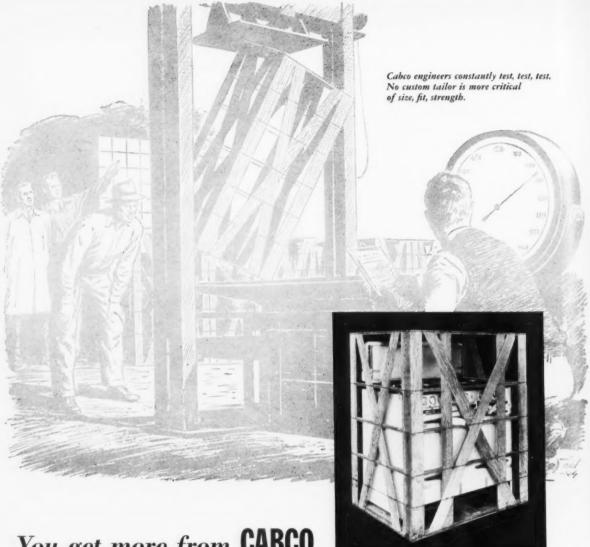
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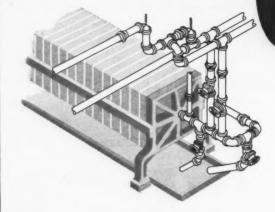
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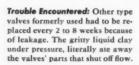
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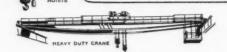
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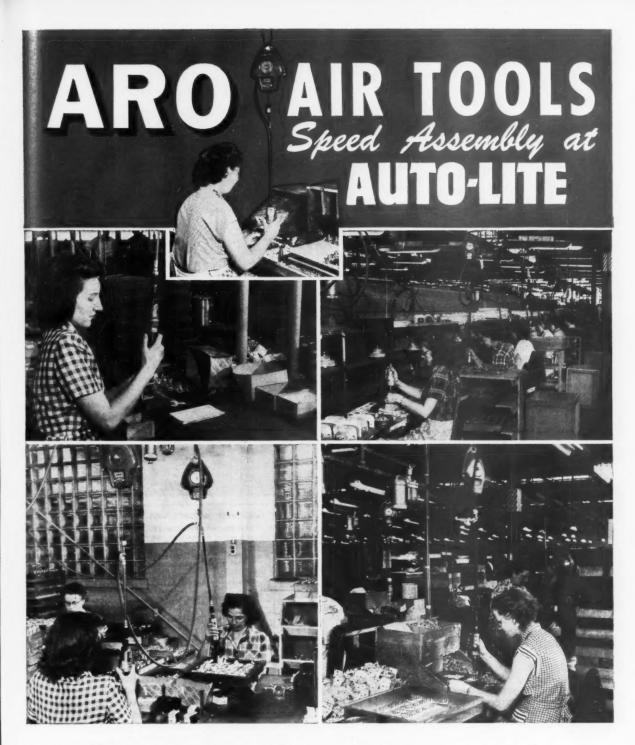
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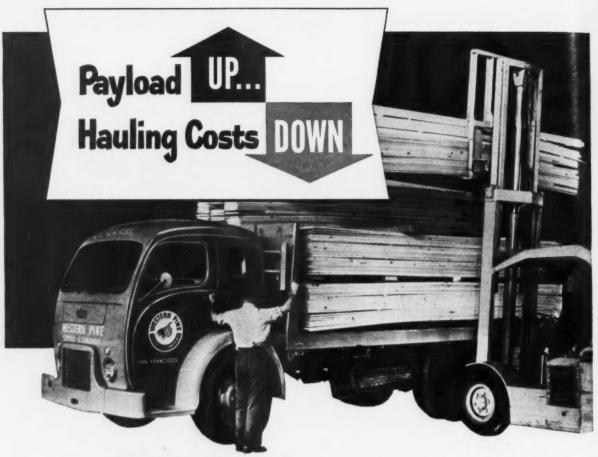
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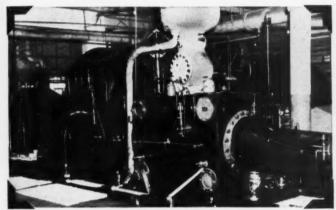
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"T OO OFTEN executive, supervisory and staff assignments are overlapping or incomplete, with several people nominally responsible but no one really in a position to 'carry the ball'," said Lounsbury S. Fish, assistant manager, department on organization, Standard Oil Company of California, in a recent address before the California Personnel Management Association.

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It also seems to be true that the right man can "tinker" with both football and baseball language in the same paragraph and not only get away with it but also score heavily in explaining that intelligently decentralized organizations, whether large or small, are the most effective.

Keep Troubles Localized

THE INDUSTRIAL Conference Board of Tacoma feels that Congressional attempts to diminish the chances of nationwide shutdowns of industries through strikes should not interfere with established bargaining methods of minor regional groups who have found stability in multiple employer and multiple union bargaining.

Writing to Representative Lucas regarding the pending Lucas Bill, Manager M. J. Muckey of the Industrial Conference Board says "This method of bargaining is particularly typical of the Pacific Coast, where unions are strong and employer units are small. Examples are the candy industry in the Seattle-Tacoma area, and the furniture industry in the Seattle-Tacoma-Portland area."

Exasperating as some of our regional difficulties may be, such as the maritime industrial situation in Pacific Coast ports, we are much better off to keep them localized as far as possible.

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NE OF THE HAPPIEST examples of good human relations we have encountered in a long while is the space in the last annual report of Solar Aircraft Company, San Diego, headed "Solar men and women who serve their company and community."

It lists the community activities of various members of the organization: scoutmasters, technical society committeemen, church positions, service clubs, trade association posts, school boards, PTA, flower and gardening clubs, and so on.

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Laboratory Situation

Editor, Western Industry:

The article promoting the Washington State Institute of Technology in your June issue concludes that testing and other non-research requests are referred to commercial laboratories, and therefore commercial laboratories have found the Institute non-competitive. Most commercial laboratories do research work. Therefore, the Institute is competitive to us.

Commercial laboratories do not object to competition by other legitimate commercial laboratories. The term "commercial laboratories" means laboratories that work for hire. The Institute works for hire. Is not, then, the Institute also a "commercial laboratory"?

Then, why is the Institute sensitive about competing with commercial laboratories? It is because the Institute—like others in its class—self-called non-profit research institutes—was underwritten by and continues to be supported (at least in part) by taxpayers? Thus the taxpaying commercial laboratories become unwilling contributors to the support of this unusual competition offered by research institutes. This practice is just a small insult to add to injury, because the commercial laboratories' portion of total taxes is small. But the taxpayers at large—the American people—are paying for research, the results of which are withheld from the public. It is sensitivity about this point that makes the Institute cry "non-competitive."

The Institute is a device by means of which the state (universities and colleges) enters wide-open competition with free-enterprise business. The commercial laboratories feel justified in asking that tax-free institutes work completely for the public gain. Otherwise, we would be pleased to have the competition on a tax-paying basis.

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(Western Industry's article was intended to set forth impartially the facts about the Washington State Institute of Technology, but its columns are always open to comment and criticism.)

A Steel Pipe Cinch

Editor, Western Industry:

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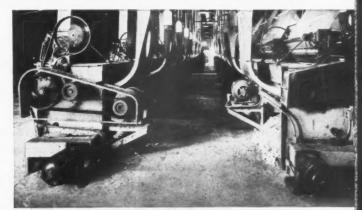
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- Sept. 26-27—Intermountain Purchasing Agents, Pacific District No. 1 regional meeting in San Francisco. Contact E. G. Chambers, executive secretary, 461 Market St., San Francisco.
- Sept. 28-30—Pacific Northwest Trade Association, fall conference, Yakima. Contact D. C. Knapp, executive secretary, 219 Olympic Hotel, Seattle.
- October—Manufacturers Association of Colorado, state banquet in Denver. Contact L. H. Kittell, 205 Colorado National Bank Bldg., Denver 2, Colo.
- Oct. 1-2—California Manufacturers Association annual meeting, Los Angeles. Contact Mr. John Knauft, 315 W. 9th St., Los Angeles 15.
- Oct. 11-14—National Association of Waste Material Dealers, fall meeting at Hotel Ambassador, Los Angeles. Contact association headquarters, 271 Madison Ave., New York.
- Oct. 12-16—National Canvas Goods Manufacturers Association, San Francisco. Contact Fred W. Behnke, 1132 Mission St., San Francisco.
- Oct. 17-18—Northwest Personnel Association regional conference at Davenport Hotel, Spokane, Wash. Contact Marion R. Jenkins, Whitworth College.
- Oct. 21-23—28th Pacific Coast Management Conference, at Claremont Hotel, Berkeley. Contact Everett Van Every, Secty.-Mgr., California Personnel Management Association, Farm Credit Bldg., Berkeley 4, Calif.
- Oct. 24-25—Second Western Regional Training Conference, sponsored by Training Association of Southern California, will be held at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. Ralph Boynton, Bank of America, Los Angeles, is in charge of registrations and advance reservations.
- Oct. 28-31 American Waterworks Assn., California Section, in Pasadena, Calif. Contact A. R. Houseman, 907 Monadnock Bldg., San Francisco, Calif.
- November—Northwest Assn. of Ice Industries, regional meeting in Everett, Wash. Contact L. F. Marsh, 1539 N.E. 37th St., Portland 13, Oregon.
- Nov. 4-8—National Wheel and Rim Association convention in San Francisco. Contact W. J. Renehan, con-

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Nov. 10-12—California Fertilizer Association Convention, at Desert Inn, Palm Springs, Calif. Contact Sidney H. Bierly, Exec. Sec. and Mgr., 4700 District Blvd., Los Angeles 58, Calif.

Nov. 10-12—Pacific Logging Congress regional meeting. Contact Carwin A. Woolley, secretary, 1222 American Bank Bldg., Portland, Ore.

Nov. 12-14—Annual meeting of National Reclamation Association in Long Beach, Calif. Contact William E. Welsh, secretary-manager, at National Press Bldg., Washington 4, D. C.

Nov. 13-14—Association of Food Industry Sanitarians, 1952 national convention in San Jose, Calif. Contact E. S. Doyle, 1950 Sixth St., Berkeley 2, Calif.

Nov. 15—National Society of Professional Engineers of Arizona, state banquet in Phoenix. Contact Americo Lazzari, 4324 N. 14th Ave., Phoenix. Ariz.

Nov. 20 — Purchasing Agents and Manufacturers, district conference in Oakland. Contact Ken Moeller, Oakland Chamber of Commerce, 427 Thirteenth St., Oakland 12, Calif. GLencourt 1-7800.

December—Northwest Scientific Assn. regional meeting in Eugene, Ore. Contact L. C. Cody, University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho.

Dec. 1-2—Northwest Mining Assn., regional meeting in Spokane, Wash. Contact E. C. Stephens, Peyton Bldg., Spokane 4.

Dec. 4-5—California State Chamber of Commerce state meeting in San Francisco. Contact James Mussatti, general manager, California State Chamber of Commerce, 350 Bush St., San Francisco.

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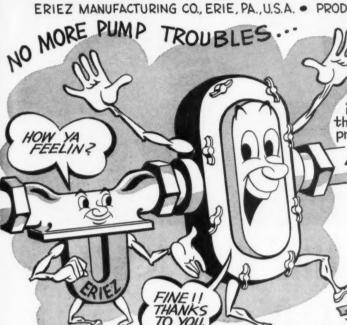
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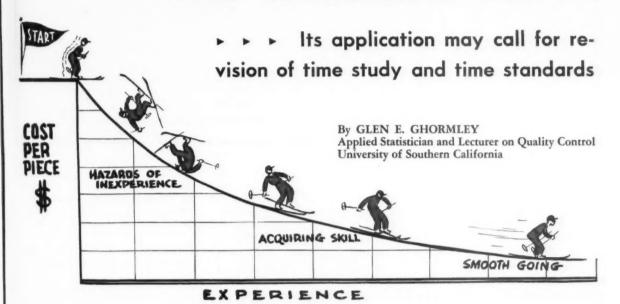
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THE LEARNING CURVE is a relatively new and little understood tool for the engineer and business manager, but one that appears to have many practical uses. The good results obtained in some applications seem to argue that we extend the use of the curve even while we continue to study its characteristics.

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For our consideration, it would seem appropriate to restrict the interest of the practicing engineer to learning and those of its aspects that fill the two following conditions:

 The results must be reflected in added profit to the company; 2. The results must be measurable and predictable.

The engineer must have formulas or tables with which to work. Random or unpredictable effects can hardly be applied to the solution of our problems.

The phenomena considered in this article will be restricted to those that involve production problems in which the time per unit produced is lowered in predictable ways with practice or habituation.

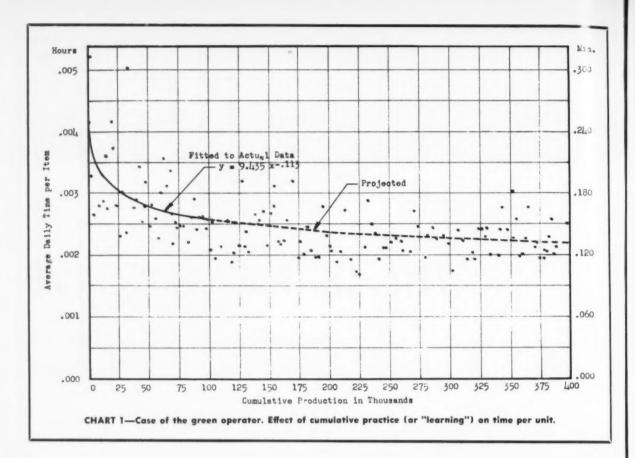
Typical Set of Data

To make clear the type of phenomenon encountered, we will offer two

sets of data. Chart 1 shows the first 8-months production by a "green" operator. Chart 2 shows data selected from the production record of an operator in her sixteenth year of experience.

Both are "stayer operators" in the set-up paper box factory of the Los Angeles Paper Box and Board Mills. The data were kindly made available by Will Kewell, president of the company.

"Staying" is the process of running a glued strip down the corner of the "set-up" or non-folding paper box. The operation first gives the box its basic shape. The equipment is simple,



consisting of an anvil-type arm which reaches out toward the operator seated at the machine.

The cardboard stock, with the corner cut out, is bent downward by the operator along two edges so that the corners are brought together. The corner is held in position over the arm while the operator trips a foot lever, causing a glued strip to be cut off to an appropriate length and attached to the corner of the box.

One corner being glued or "stayed," the operator turns the box through 90 degrees and stays the next corner. Thus each box and its cover are stayed at each of its four corners. A good operator will stay about 8,000 boxes in an 8-hour day.

The machine cycle is fast enough not to bring about any waiting time. The rate of production is under the control of and dependent upon the operator, but it varies widely both between operators (depending on skill and motivation) and for the same operator, varying with the size and shape of the box.

Chart No. 1 shows the daily production record of employee No. 83 by days from the date of her entry on the job, April 30, 1951, through December 31. No effort has been made here to classify jobs either as to difficulty,

number of similar jobs previously handled nor any other factor that might affect the rate. The only independent variable considered is the

WHAT IS THE "LEARNING CURVE"?

It is the principle that experience gets work done faster, that the tenth piece should not cost as much as the first piece.

Or, put another way, if the first time you make an item it requires 10 manhours, the second time it should take eight hours, the hundredth time a good deal less, say 6¾ hours, and the thousandth time it should be made in substantially less, for example, two hours.

The slope of the curve depends, of course, upon various factors, such as how many operations can be mechanized or done in multiple, how much the layout of material and the arrangement of processes can cut lost time in handling, and the other things that bring about the economies of mass production.

number of boxes previously made, or cumulative production. The dependent variable is the daily ratio:

1,000 x time in hours

Production

The solid line of best fit was calculated from data over the actual production for the first 100,000 boxes only. It is extended in order to extrapolate over the remainder of the year, "predicting" along the dotted line. The method of fitting the data was by minimizing the squares of the logarithms of the vertical or y-deviations. The curve employed is the exponential,

$$y = ax^b$$
,

Where y is the time per cycle in .001 hours and x is the cumulative experience in terms of boxes produced. In logarithmic form,

$$\log y = \log a + b \log x$$
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The fitted equations for this set of data are, respectively,

$$y = 9.435 x - .113$$

and

There are available 144 data, representing a total production of 400,092 for the eight months. The slowest rate recorded was on the first day, 5.22×10^{-3} hours or .313 minutes per box.

The best was on September 19, 1.66 \times 10⁻³ hours or .0996 minutes. The average over the eight months was 2.24 \times 10⁻³ hours or .134 minutes.

For comparison, operator No. 37 with 16 years' experience produced 1,273,371 boxes in twelve months at an average time per box of 1.027 × 10⁻³ hours or .062 minutes each, about half the time of the green operator. Variance analysis shows that the effect of learning is significant at the 0.1% level, that the curvilinearity is also highly significant at the same level.

We may conclude, therefore, that the effect of taking into account the amount of previous experience is to make it possible to estimate or predict with materially greater accuracy as compared with basing an estimate on average of prior performance, as is usually done in estimating.

The second set of data show two long runs on the same box by operator No. 37 in her sixteenth year of experience. The box is the familiar See's $\frac{1}{2}$ -lb. mint box whose dimensions are $6\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 2''$. The first run was a total of 50,300 begun on January 9 and finished January 17. The second was for a total of 99,400 beginning March 6 and finished on March 22.

We presume, although we do not know, that this constituted the entire order. Separate curves were fitted to the two sets of data by the method of minimizing the sums of squares of logarithms of daily production rates.

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Several points stand out from an examination of these and other sets of data. It is our purpose to make some generalizations, first considering the nature of the learning process itself and then centering on possible applications to some of our own special problems:

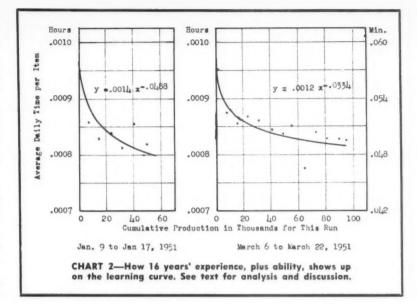
Depending on the Intrinsic Nature of the Curves

a. The learning effect is a highly significant factor in estimating the time of an individual worker for performing a given repetitive task. (Significance is here used in the stochastic or probability sense.)

b. The learning effect is a highly significant factor in estimating the time of an organized group such as a company or department for performing a repetitive task.

c. The group learning effect is not the sum of the learning curves of the individuals making up that group. The difference between the group learning effect and the sum of the learning curves making up the group is probably due to more or less improvement in management.

d. With a lapse of time between



runs of the same task, the individual or group suffers some forgetting and must relearn the process before it regains its former efficiency.

e. There is some carry-over of learning from one task to another—probably due to and probably proportional to the number and kind of common elements.

f. The slope of the learning curve is

characteristic of the operator or the group. It is presumed that the intercepts are general, but the extent of generality is not understood.

Depending on Industrial Applications of the Learning Process Function

a. For estimating, the learning curve, integrated between the desired

HERE'S THE OPERATION analyzed by the learning curve method in this article.



limits, provides a significantly more accurate forecast than any other methods of the manhours that will be required. The type curve used for illustration herein requires that we know the slope characteristic of the company or employee who will do the job and one point somewhere on the line.

b. For scheduling work through the various departments of a company, the learning curves for the respective departments provide a significantly more accurate forecast of the manhours likely to be required in each. Again, we need to know the slope characteristic of the respective departments and one point through which we may pass the curve. Integration between the desired limits completes the estimate for that department.

c. For budgeting, the problem seems somewhat more complicated. In the degree that budgeting the various departments of a company depends on the number of man-hours likely to be required for anticipated specific tasks, the amount to be budgeted will depend significantly on the anticipated parameters of the learning curve, and hence on the number of items to be produced, the degree of newness of the tasks and the lapse of time between runs.

d. For estimating future personnel requirements, we have a problem corollary to ability to estimate and budget more accurately.

e. For personnel placement and vocational guidance, we would calculate the parameters characteristic of that operator and predict if he will be successful in a reasonable length of time by comparison with the parameters of the curve for successful operators.

For example, in the cases cited above, beginning operator No. 83 would take about 60 years to achieve the production rate of operator 37 achieved by her in 16 years! It hardly seems likely that the new operator will ever attain the same proficiency. It seems unlikely that it would be to the company's or the employee's advantage for her to continue on this job unless training or incentive can increase her rate of learning.

f. Motivation. We might try to save this operator if circumstances make it worth while to try by giving her the incentive of piece-work for stimulating the rate of learning. This is a knotty problem, because a standard suitable for an experienced operator would be out of reach of the beginner and discourage, rather than stimulate him. Perhaps the problem is not insoluble, provided we can gain acceptance of the idea of easier standards for the learner.

Another aspect of the incentive

problem that is more generally acceptable, is that standards should be lower for short runs and for tasks having a large percentage of new, unlearned elements.

g. Time study and time standards methods would seem to need revision, going all the way back to some basic concepts:

1. There seems to be no point at which "the operators have thoroughly learned the job and hence may be time studied," as we now pretend. In the concept of the learning curve, the degree of learning is not absolute, but



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related to the amount of previous habituation—this functional relationship extending at least to 16 years and over 16,000,000 items in the case cited above

The degree of learning attained by the operator at any point is not constant, but a joint function of the number of previous repetitions and other factors of motivation, amount of carryover from previous similar but not identical experience, recency of similar tasks and other factors.

2. Time standards should take into account the length of the "run," for the standard that is comparatively easy to achieve for a long run would be difficult or impossible for a short run on the same production operation.

3. Time standards should take into account the forgetting curve. The effect of lapse of time since previous performance of tasks having common

elements with the one on which standards are being set, as well as the nature of the intervening interruption effect the definition of a fair day's work.

h. Application to research and investigation. The learning curve will provide a tool greatly needed by research people and investigation-minded engineers and management men.

For example, suppose a new manual has been prepared or a program of employee-counselling or a training program has been instituted. The resulting effect on production can be demonstrated by tracing the break in the learning curve, if any. Furthermore, it provides a tool for measurement of the dollar benefits.

Referring to Chart 2 again, we wonder how much it would be worth to know why employee No. 83 got the very low point in the first series. Was it an accident—perhaps a clerical mistake purposely or accidently made in recording the time or the production for that day? Or was there another assignable cause? Was this cause an added psychological block?

Without testing, it would appear that the difference would almost certainly prove significant in the stochastic or probability sense. We might surmise trouble at home or a quarrel with fellow workers, resentment against some action of the supervisor, bad cardboard from a new vendor, poor corner-cutting by a careless employee, poor glue, a machine slightly out of adjustment. These questions are not trivial to an alert management.

It would not seem too much to hope that we have here a powerful new tool for investigation. It would seem feasible to borrow the device of the Quality Control people to get immediate analysis and action. Points falling outside predetermined control limits would need to be accounted for, while those inside those limits would be ignored on the assumption that they constitute random variation characteristic of human effort.

Summary

By way of conclusion, it would appear that the learning curve is an extremely versatile tool for use in management fields. It invites us to do a great deal of study upon it before we understand it completely. But even in its present crude form, it already is being put to extensive and profitable use. It would appear, further, that it implies a need for extensive revision of our text books.

SUBSEQUENT ARTICLES

THIS ARTICLE will be followed by several others on the learning curve by Mr. Ghormley, as follows:

- Evaluating Supervision by the Learning Curve.
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The Institute was held under the auspices of the Extension Division, University of Southern California, and John R. Huffman, Associate Professor of Industrial Engineering, was general director of the Institute.

Cooperating were the industrial engineering and materials handling divisions of the Los Angeles section of ASME, the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Materials Handling Association of Southern California, Society for the Advancement of Management, Society of Industrial Packaging and Materials Handling Engineers, and Western Industry.

Simultaneously the Packaging and Materials Handling Exposition was held in Shrine Auditorium, a highly successful event. It had been held in San Francisco in previous years, but this was the first occasion for Los Angeles, and the number of exhibits, attendance and general interest were noteworthy.

Fork trucks for packaged goods

By

ROBERT H. BRAUN

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APPLYING a fork truck properly to a handling problem begins with obtaining answers to the following four questions: (1) size, weights and types of packages; (2) weight or tonnage handled for period of time; (3) number of items; (4) number of stock turnovers.

Manufacturers for fork trucks have a "rule of thumb" for minimum floor load rating for each truck capacity, as follows:

Truck Capacity	Truck Weights		Floor Load Capacity Required	
1,000 lbs 2,000 lbs			150 to 175 lbs. 175 to 225 lbs.	

3,000 lbs	5,700 to	6,200	200 to 225 lbs.
4,000 lbs	6,400 to	7,200	225 to 275 lbs.
6,000 lbs	10,100 to	10,500	300-up lbs.

A simple but accurate equation which determines the aisle width necessary for right angle stacking by a fork truck is as follows:

Aisle width = Outside turning radius + length of load + 6" clearance.

Example: a 4,000-lb. truck with an outside turning radius of 75" and handling a 40" long load would require an aisle width of 121", or 10' 1".

Placing the Load

The industry has more or less standardized maximum truck heights at 83"; this 83" limitation and a 2-to-1 lifting ratio upright permits lifts to vary from 112" to 124". To determine the necessary tiering elevation, total the heights of the bottom loads, then add the underhang of the pallet or container below the top edge of the forks

and a minimum clearance factor of 2" for placing the load.

A 300-ft. limitation on the radius of operation is the "rule of thumb" followed if the operation is continuous. There are efficient, though intermittent, fork truck operations over a 1,000-ft. radius and a few trucks traveling a one-way distance of 1,400 to 1,500 ft. The 300 ft. is more or less a "danger signal." If the radius of operation is equal to, or more than that, then the possibility of supplementing the fork-truck operation with a trailertrain should be considered.

Operating Costs

Assuming fork truck operations for 8 hrs. per day or 2,000 hrs. per year under good conditions, the average hourly costs including all fixed and variable expenses are as follows:

2,000 lb.	capacity	truck	35¢	hr.
4,000 lb.	99	99	44¢	hr.
6,000 lb.	99	99	57¢	hr.

These cost figures may be used for either gasoline or electric trucks, since by actual performance figures costs are about the same. Maintenance costs and down time are less for the battery-driven unit, but are offset by battery depreciation and the additional investment in charging equipment.

Truck Performance

Fork trucks operating indoors have a design top speed varying from five miles per hr. for battery-powered units to as high as seven miles for the gasdriven. However, load stability, floor conditions, aisle intersections, directional turns, etc., reduce the average speed to about $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles per hour of 250 to 308 ft. per minute.

hour of 250 to 308 ft. per minute.

Assuming (1) 60 seconds at terminals of travel for lifting, tiering, deceleration, acceleration and turning and (2) an average travel speed of 250 ft. per minute for carrying a load one way and returning empty, the following figures apply:

Distance between Terminals	Trips per hou
100 ft	33
200 ft	
300 ft	18
400 ft	14
500 ft	11
1,000 ft	81/2

The tonnage handled per hour is the product of trips per hour and the unit load weight expressed in tons. Thus 4,000-lb. loads can be moved an average distance of 200 ft. between terminal points at the rate of 46 tons per hour.

Cost Per Ton

Cost per ton of goods handled is computed as follows:

Handling cost per ton = Operator's pay

rate per hour + average operating cost per hour (i.e., divided by) trips per hour × tons per trip.

Example: A 4,000-lb. capacity truck with a 44¢ per hour cost of operation plus operator's hourly rate of \$1.50 results in \$1.94 per hour total cost. Operating with terminals 200 ft. apart handling 46 tons per hr. resolves the cost to \$1.94 divided by 46 or 4.22¢ per ton.

Trends in military packaging

By Lt. Col. ROBERT W. JOHNSON Chief, Packaging Section Air Materiel Command U. S. A. F.

IN THE LIGHT of development of national and worldwide economic conditions, I think we will never again be able to create and maintain huge outdoor stock piles of war material for combat activity. If we are to maintain a position of constant combat readiness we will have to work on a hand-to-mouth basis as far as pipeline length is considered, and this means we must devise the lightest and most inexpensive types of packaging for aerial delivery of war material. We can foresee that a larger portion of our supplies will move by air.

Items used in great abundance, such as petroleum, clothing, subsistence and ammunition comprise roughly 80% of our tonnage but represent only 20% of our dollar expenditures. This leads to the conclusion that we can very well afford to consider aerial delivery for that remaining 20% of our tonnage which represents an investment of 80% of our dollars, and I think it will give us a far less complicated solution to the problem of determining what and when we should package to the minimum standards.

We can safely use the lightest box and most inexpensive type of preparation for shipment, because we will not make aerial delivery until those supplies are needed, and should therefore anticipate no long overseas storage and none of the hazards of rail and ship loading conditions.

Roughly 75% of our items are fairly regular in shape, reasonably small in size, simple in design and present no particular packaging problem. These can be so segregated and catalogued that the packaging will fall into determinable groups, leaving only 25% that require special packaging engineering talent and techniques.

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The Air Force Packaging Board has been reconstituted as the Air Force Packaging and Materials Handling Board. A revision of the present Air Force Career Program is being de-



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l—First we make a plaster cast of the part for which we need a jig. Then we spray three coats of lacquer and one of separating wax on it to prevent sticking.



2—Meanwhile, another department is busy cutting out fiber glass sheets to outside shape, which has been traced from a pattern. "Sandwich" sheets come in a roll.

PRODUCTION TOOLING IS FAST with fiber glass laminated jigs

ADEQUATE TOOLING for the drilling, trimming, routing and sawing of contoured and compound-contoured details, parts and assemblies has always presented a knotty problem in aircraft manufacturing.

One solution which Convair's San Diego division has investigated with significant success is the use of fiber glass laminated jigs. These have the advantage of being light, durable, easily reworkable to accommodate minor engineering changes, and relatively inexpensive.

Further, their fabrication is simple

enough to be accomplished by the average shop worker rather than requiring the skill of a highly trained and scare mechanic or tool maker.

Fiber glass laminate can be laid directly on the production part itself or on a plaster splash, thus permitting the run-up of compound-contoured trim, drill and saw jigs in advance of the first run of production parts.

Finally, the ability to cure fiber glass laminates at room temperature when using polyesters eliminates the need for complicated and costly ovens and other heating equipment. Curing

times vary from one to four hours.

Fiber glass laminated jigs are built up by the use of fiber glass cloth sheets with fiber glass matt as a sandwich material. Fiber glass mill ends are also used in building up vertical walls to avoid the draining off of the polyesters.

Although specifics will vary with the use of materials supplied by different manufacturers, the basic process of building up laminated fiber glass tooling will follow the steps illustrated by these shop pictures taken in the San Diego division of Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation.







3—After tacking a wax edge strip to the plaster splash, fiber glass sheet is then laid over the splash and brushed with polyester mix.



4—Cured sheet is lifted from splash. Curing times vary with the resins used, shop needs for production, and type of casting form.



5—Then, by way of getting the jig in shape for final use, its rough edges are smoothed with a power grinder.



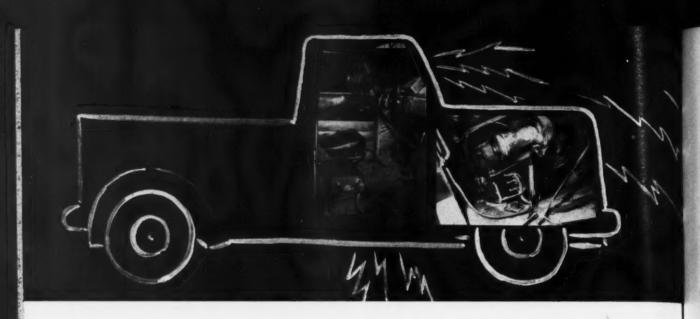
6—And excess material is sawed out to reduce weight and facilitate handling of the completed jig in the shop.



7 (far left)—Here is a drill cage, ready for use. It is being laid over after body assembly of new Convair-Liner 340 nacelle.

- 8 (center left) Positioned and clamped, the drill cage guides drilling of holes for Camloc fasteners. Though somewhat flexible, these jigs are accurate.
- 9 (left)—After body assembly with holes drilled and cage removed. Holes are coordinated with pattern used to drill door assembly, made to fit.
- 10 (right)—Top: cut-off fixture for trimming and sawing. Middle: drill and trim fixtures. Bottom: a routing form. All made of fiber glass.





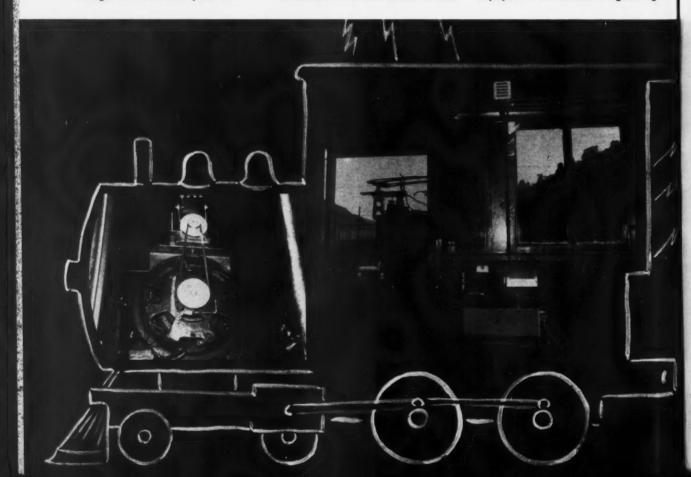
Two-way radio to coordinate the activities of 10 locomotives, 10 trucks and 1,000 men over an area of 10 square miles makes operations easier, faster, cheaper in a New Mexico mining pit.

TRUCK CAB—Radio equipment installed in truck with microphone and speaker on dash to right of seat.

UNDER TRUCK HOOD—45-ampere generator in truck keeps batteries charged for 24-hour operation.

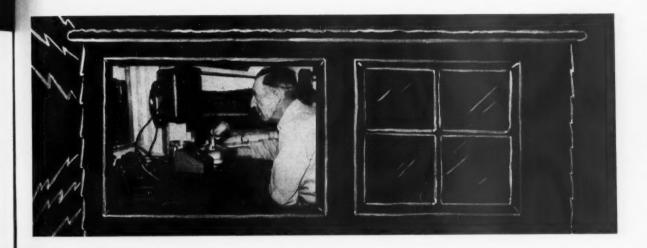
LOCOMOTIVE CAB — Microphone just in front of seat does not impair use of locomotive controls.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINE—80-ampere generator operated off air compressor motor in forward section of cab. IN CONTROL TOWER (right), operator has microphone and control equipment for selective signalling.



TWO-WAY RADIO

... an effective, time-saving industrial tool



TWO-WAY RADIO communication in industrial plants is coming into more and more use. Value of such a system is great; Kennecott Copper Corp., for example, finds that the 21 FM sets installed at the Santa Rita open-pit mine, Santa Rita, New Mexico, bring about the following direct results:

1. Increased production.

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- 2. Better employee morale.
- 3. More efficient operation.
- 4. Faster routing of trains and locomotives.
- 5. Immediate contact with shovels.
- Over-the-air receipt of assay reports, eliminating time-consuming trips out of the pit to secure this information.
- Immediate reporting of accident and injuries, and quicker first-aid and medical attention.
- 8. Considerable time-saving on repair jobs. In case of breakdown of any piece of equipment, repairmen and repair parts are sped to the scene without delay.
- 9. More detailed instructions made possible in communicating blast-

- ing operations have reduced the uncertainties and hazards.
- Better coordination foremen can talk with each other at any time and from any point in the area
- Reduction of time and travel expense in relaying or delivering messages.

Operations at Santa Rita consist of the open-pit mine, including a large dump area, an underground mine, a precipitating plant, and necessary shops and administrative units. These operations cover an area about three miles in diameter. Over 1,000 men are employed, and about 50,000 tons of material are mined every day.

Topsy Troubles

When the mining operation started, simple signals by whistle and telephone were adequate. As time went on, though, and the geographic area of operation grew—and the pits grew deeper, the signal system evolved into a complicated hookup of communication depending upon the audibility of train whistles, shovel whistles, and a loud air-blast whistle at the control tower, combined with telephones in-

stalled at the five switch points along the haulageway and answered by the switch tenders.

The deeper the pit grew and the farther afield the operations developed, the more difficult and more costly became the communication problem. Finally, and as part of a continuing effort to bring about effective communication means, the idea of two-way radio was decided upon as a probable solution.

To date, 21 sets have been installed, as follows:

- 1 control tower (stationary)
- 10 trucks (mobile)
- 8 electric locomotives (mobile)
- 1 diesel locomotive (mobile)
- 1 crane (mobile)

Truck units are operated by the following personnel:

- 3 pit foremen
- 1 sample department
- 1 track department
- 1 general foreman
- 1 chief electrician 1 pit superintendent
- 1 powder foreman
- 1 electrical trouble shooter

After installation of the sets in the locomotives, a relay set was added in the control tower, which provides for selective communication with the locomotive engineers and eliminates possible distraction of the engineer's attention by non-pertinent calls. To use the relay set, a special microphone switch box was needed. This microphone switch box also serves the regular stationary set for open communication.

To call a locomotive through the relay set, the operator presses a button switch on the microphone switch box. He is limited to five seconds for contacting the locomotive with the call signal.

If the engineer picks up his microphone, the circuit is closed and conversation between the operator and the engineer can proceed indefinitely. If the engineer does not get the call signal or does not lift up his microphone, the operator at the control tower must repeat the procedure until contact is made.

Installation

Installation costs varied only in the type units where the sets were installed.

In the trucks, the sets were installed by two men in one 8-hr. shift. This included installation of the antennae on the roof of the cab, setting the transmitter-receiver and the microphone bracket, plus necessary wiring and assembly.

The quarter-wave antenna is used for both transmission and reception. It is comparatively short (18-13/16 in. plus/minus 3/16 in.) and is cut to specified length at the factory. Each mobile set in use at Santa Rita occupies 137 in. of floor space and has a total weight of 32 lb.

Installation of similar sets in the locomotives required 24 hr. working time owing to the dual microphone arrangements and innovations made necessary to avoid impairment of the use of the locomotive controls. Extra time was also used in installing the generator and storage battery in the locomotive cab.

Maintenance

Maintenance costs have been very nominal and have consisted chiefly of the replacement of tubes and vibrators which, of course, have a limited life. Some mobile units have had no repair or replacement-of-parts cost during a 12-month period. Spare tubes, vibrators, and other minor parts are kept on hand in the warehouses to expedite repair service when needed.

Equipment

The initial cost of the equipment constituted the major expense item. Company officials state that the initial cost has been repaid many times by the improved communication, which has resulted in increased production as well as a decrease in many other expenses.

Operation

FM radio is remarkably free from interference and clearer than telephone conversation. Electrical installations and equipment do not produce any appreciable static. The sets are easily operated. The operator merely turns the radio on and listens. When he wants to speak, he pushes the "talk" button.

Mobile sets in the automobiles are operated off the regular storage battery. In other mobile units, storage batteries have been installed to provide current for the sets.

Receivers in the mobile units contain 16 tubes, and the transmitters contain nine tubes. Both the trans-

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THE SANTA RITA open pit mine. Operations over area 3 mi. in diameter include large dump area, an underground mine, precipitating plant, and necessary shops and administrative units. These demands, plus distances, enhanced the communication problems.

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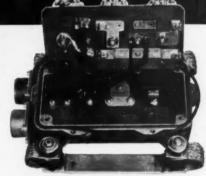


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Generator regulator for the 24-volt system of the submersible Jeep. This is completely waterproof and highly resistant to corrosion and fungi. Produced by The Electric Auto-Lite Company, Toledo, Ohio.



Illustrated are two of the many types of capacitors and filters made by Aerovox Corporation, New Bedford, Mass.; an important capacitor supplier to both Electric Auto-Lite and Glenn L. Martin. The unit above is the filter capacitor used in the generator regulator of the submersible jeep while the unit at the right is used in the pilotless bomber.



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The dramatic pictures on this page show two important special applications of Aerovox capacitors. One is the Martin B-61 Matador pilotless bomber. It contains an Aerovox capacitor, which has to withstand the terrific acceleration and speed of the craft. The other is the submersible Jeep. Its 24-volt electrical system is completely waterproofed, and includes Aerovox filters and capacitors for suppression of radio interference. Revere not only supplied copper and brass strip for the capacitor cases, but collaborated closely in setting up specifications, and in addition worked on a welding problem. In regard to the latter, an Aerovox Project Engineer wrote: "We have had much better welds." . . . Revere is always glad to collaborate on problems concerning copper and its alloys, aluminum alloys, and electric welded steel tube. Call the nearest Revere Sales Office.

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Advantages

Under the old whistle-telephone method of communication, one activity in the production of ore—moving of shovels—was carried on as follows:

The bench foreman contacted the assay department to determine the

location of waste material in the pit and the ore stations near each shovel. At the same time, the dispatcher in the control tower sent word to the incoming trains by calling one of the switch tenders on the telephone. The switch tender in turn flagged the trains and gave the engineers their instructions.

Often a locomotive was forced to wait on a side track until the shovel had moved to the new location, or another locomotive would have to be rerouted from an upper to a lower level to accommodate the shovel. This pro-

cedure frequently resulted in considerable delay of production, most of which was unavoidable due to the system used in communicating among the personnel involved.

Now, with the whistle-telephoneradio communication system functioning smoothly, an operation that previously might have taken an hour to complete can be finished in a matter of minutes.

As in the foregoing instance, when the bench foreman procures the necessary information from the assay department (by radio), he contacts (by radio) all persons concerned—the dispatcher, the locomotive engineers, the shovel operators, and other foremen. The changes are made immediately and simultaneously without delay or confusion.

Foremen can also know at a moment's notice the exact nature of the material at each shovel station, as trips out of the pit to obtain this information from the assay department are now unnecessary.

Plans for Expansion

The success of the two-way radiocommunciation system to date has justified expansion plans devised for the whole operation at Santa Rita.

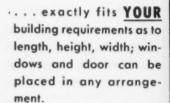
Construction permits have been received for installing two base stations and several mobile units at the company power plant 10 mi. from the pit area. These will be used in case of power-line trouble and for communication between the mine and the power plant.

An operator licensed by the Federal Communications Commission is in charge of and responsible for the approved operation of the industrial station at the mine. In addition, each operator of the base station is licensed under the Federal Communications Act. The station's license is properly displayed in the control tower, as are the licenses of the several operators of the stationary and mobile units.

There have been no interferences, and consequently no complaints, from operators or users of other radio stations and receivers items operate on other wave lengths and frequencies in the area.

Licensing Procedure

Companies contemplating the installation of short-wave radio stations for industrial purposes are obliged by law to meet the requirements of the Federal Communications Act as outlined in Part II, Rules Governing Industrial Radio Service. Copies of these rules may be obtained by writing the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C., enclosing 10¢ for each copy requested.







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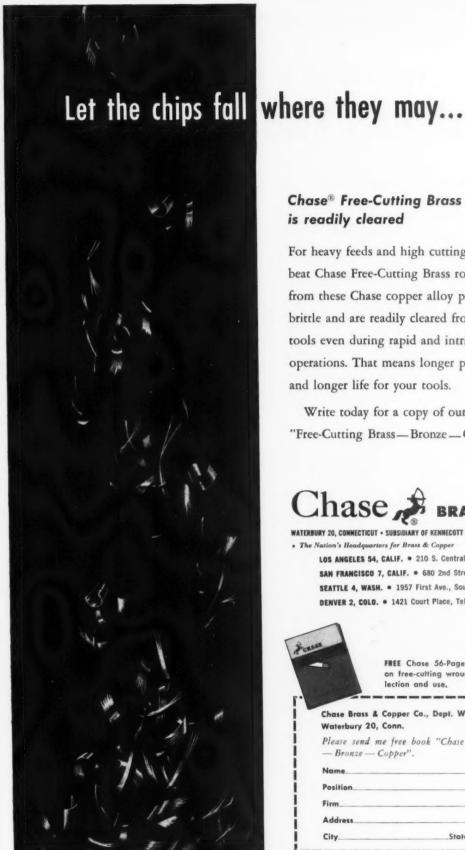
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Better maintenance = increased shop production

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BY ADAPTING unusual methods of maintenance to their operations, officials at the Crane-Pacific Division of Crane Company at Colton, Calif., have been able to mass-produce ceramic plumbing fixtures in 186,000 square feet of plant space with a crew of only 200 employees working two shifts daily.

Briefly, production operations consist of dispersing raw clay materials in water, casting the resultant "slip" in plaster molds, and firing or fusing dehydrated slip casts with ceramic-klin equipment. This is nothing new from a technical point of view; but it does

involve the effective application of many production concepts which are by no means standard in the ceramic industry.

Non-Standard Techniques

For example, where clay slip would normally be prepared with a mechanical agitator in the immediate vicinity of molds for each production item, there is a large centralized slip house with tile-lined tanks for the mixing and storing of raw materials.

This enables specialized personnel to prepare all the necessary casting slip without interrupting production operations when it is necessary to clean tanks, repair mixing machinery, or prepare new batches. Slip can be piped from any one of several storage tanks in the slip house to production stations throughout the plant.

Similarly, where it would be standard practice to align plaster molds on the factory floor for manual loading purposes, roller conveyors pass each mold under an automatic loading fixture which is pneumatically powered so as to fill the mold cavity to a certain level without human assistance.

Roller conveyors of course require a certain amount of lubrication and

CENTRALIZED "SLIP HOUSE" at Crane-Pacific. Here, specialized personnel prepare all casting slip without interrupting production operations. Slip is piped to production stations as needed.



CHECKING plaster molds on a roller conveyor. Molds are pneumatically loaded by a special fixture, which is directly in front of worker at right.

RIGHT—Applying a paste-like mixture of clay slip to upper edge of ceramic toilet bowl to serve as adhesive for assembly of separatelycast rim.

FAR RIGHT—Pneumatic glazing of fixtures.

BELOW—Both overhead and roller conveyors are used to carry slip castings through drying ovens to tunnel kilns.

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periodic repairs. However, in addition to reducing the cost of labor in the preliminary loading of molds, they greatly simplify handling problems because their operations are timed so that each mold will reach a suitable unloading station soon after the cast therein is dry enough to be handled.

In order to simplify mold designs and reduce casting defects, arrangements have been made to cast some products as two or more separate parts per unit. For example, the rims and bowls of toilets are separately cast. Parts thus produced are assembled, so that they can be fired as integral articles.

Faster Assembly

A fabric dispenser (which is operationally the same as a toothpaste tube) facilitates assembly work by enabling workers to apply a paste-like mixture of clay slip to the mating surfaces of castings. Purpose of the slip is, of course, to adhere mating parts without producing visible joints after the parts are respectively fused.

Dried casts or assemblies are separated from their molds at suitable clean-up stations, where flash and other casting defects are manually removed or repaired. The unfired products are respectively mounted on freely-rotating turntables at each

clean-up station, so they can be handled without damage.

Both roller and overhead conveyors are used to move parts from the cleanup stations and through a pair of drying ovens to the plant's tunnel kilns. The drying ovens are low-temperature units, designed to prevent defects by removing minute quantities of moisture from the casts before they are fired.

Mechanized pallets are used to convey casts through the tunnel kilns, and between trips through the kilns the casts are glaze-finished with pneumatic spray equipment of the type normally used in applying organic coatings.

·Extremely small and simple spray booths are used in glazing Crane-Pacific products, since the inorganic coating materials contain no volatile solvents, and glazes are pigmented for color effects before and after firing to avoid confusion among workers in loading parts on mechanized pallets for the tunnel kilns.

Firing temperatures used average 2225° F. for periods of 48 to 50 hours. These are maintained with gas heating accessories during the warmer months of the year in order to minimize operational costs. Oil heating accessories are used during the colder months of the year, when the municipal supply

of gas is inadequate for production purposes.

Despite the relative mildness of the climate in the Colton area, this plan is constantly air-conditioned because relatively slight variations in the temperature and moisture content of the atmosphere could cause rather severe discrepancies in finished ceramic products.

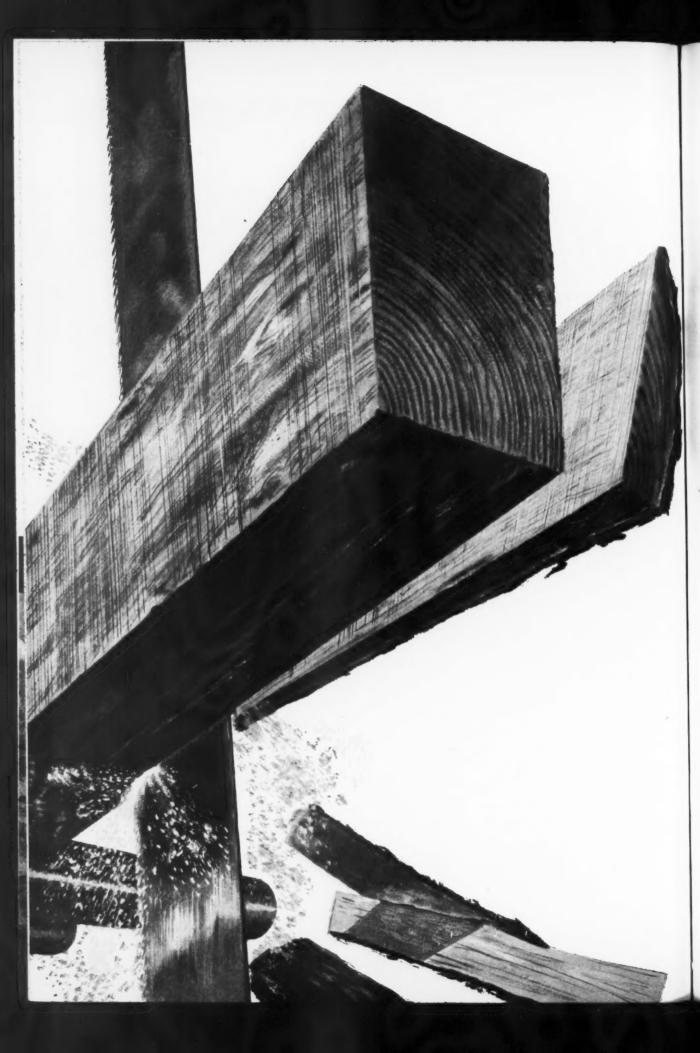
Air conditioning units are serviced at regular intervals in strict conformity with manufacturers' recommendations. Temperature gages throughout the plant are checked hourly to make sure the units are functioning properly. Where a malfunction is detected, production operations are of course halted until the air conditioning equipment is repaired.

Cleaning Problems

Special efforts are made to keep the plant spotlessly clean—a very difficult task in a ceramic shop. Floors are swept at least twice a day; scraps are removed as they accumulate on conveyors, workbenches, etc.; and all facilities are refinished as often as necessary for a good appearance. The principal object of this, according to Superintendent Arthur E. Hock, is to provide the sort of conditions that will encourage employees to take the most pride in their work.

Except for Hock and four other men from the company's Chicago plant, all Crane-Pacific workers have been hired in Colton since the early part of 1951. A majority of these employees had to be trained before they could handle their present jobs, and this would have been a hopeless task if it had been necessary to qualify each new man as a skilled technician.

By using a straight line production setup with more than 6800 feet of overhead and roller conveyors, Hock and his experienced assistants have been able to simplify job requirements so that quickly-trained shop personnel can maintain all operations essential to production with efficiency.



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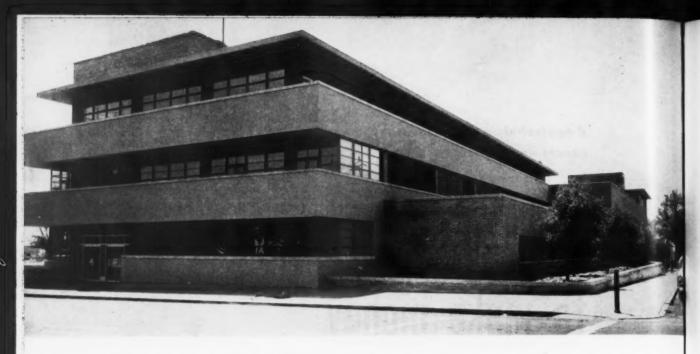
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(Fifteenth article in Western Industry's plant construction series.)

THIS MONTH'S plant construction article deals with a newspaper publishing plant (The Sacramento, California Bee), and the general offices of McClatchy Newspapers, owners of the three Bees (Sacramento, Modesto, Fresno), plus a handful of radio stations in the San Joaquin Valley. This building was se-

lected because it offers diversification of industry to our series, excellent design for the function it satisfies, and a plant that is completely air-conditioned.

All departments in both the administration building and the mechanical building (connected by a common wall) are air-conditioned throughout,



AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEMS employing refrigeration are designed so that no reheating is required in summer, which results in the lowest operating costs possible.

This is accomplished by use of a hot and cold plenum at the supply fan discharge. The cold plenum is maintained at a temperature low enough to satisfy any one of the various zone supply ducts and the hot plenum handles recirculated room air in summer. The air in the hot plenum is heated in winter only for offsetting building heat loss.

Each zone duct is connected to both the hot and cold plenums and a pair of dampers automatically admit the correct percentage of hot and cold air to the zone duct according to the demands of the zone thermostat located in the conditioned space.

This type of system is quite flexible and as many different temperature conditions can be obtained as the number of zones provided, as desired. In effect, the three double-duct systems installed in the building replace 33 individual systems and final results are equally satisfactory.

Relative humidity throughout is automatically reduced in summer and increased in winter for human comfort. Winter humidification is automatically maintained at a comfort condition by means of recirculated water pumps spraying the cooling coil surfaces over which the air is drawn, all controlled by humidistats.

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under automatic control. In addition, hoods and mechanical exhaust are employed wherever heat or fumes are generated in newspaper equipment, and all locker rooms and service areas are exhausted similarly.

Adjustable louvers are provided for all windows having exposure to the sun, to reduce fluctuations in load occurring as the sun's rays travel from east to west. Roof decks are insulated for a similar reason.

Only Clean Air

Every cubic foot of air introduced into the building is filtered and all air circulated inside the building is filtered approximately eight times per hour for removal of dust and pollen. Most air is further cleansed and conditioned by passage through water sprays.

Air is supplied through slotted openings in the top of continuous cabinets located under the windows, so that the exterior walls are blanketed by cooled air in summer and by heated air in winter.

Water from two deep wells is utilized for cooling in several of the airconditioning systems which handle large volumes of outdoor air. This same water is then re-used in the condensers serving the refrigeration systems. Heat is subtracted from the air and from the refrigerant, and is added to the well water during each step, and the warm water is then wasted.



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The system includes a large well water storage tank with Peerless pumps for power, and Johnson controls for regulating temperature. Well water used for summer cooling may also be used for preheating the outdoor air introduced into the building during the winter. With this arrangement, substantial fuel economy results.

The air-conditioning systems are equipped with recirculated air fans in addition to the supply air fan for the purpose of automatically venting large volumes of air when the systems operate with 100% outdoor air. The recirculated air fans are automatically controlled so that when the outdoor air temperature is suitable for cooling

DISPLAY and general advertising departments, and classified. Note planned order of desks, partitions, and aisles. Removable steel partitions make the department flexible.



the refrigerating plant is shut down and a mixture of cool outdoor air and room air is utilized for cooling pur-

In the event of any breakdown in the refrigerating systems, it is thus possible to operate all air systems on natural ventilation and to exhaust all air introduced into the building, mechanically. This provision is decidedly important should an interruption in the refrigerating systems occur in summer, and also because common practice is to seal and lock the windows in a fully air-conditioned building for the reduction of dust by infiltration.

PRESS ROOM

The press room is cooled in summer and heated or cooled in winter by means of a central station air-conditioning system handling 100% outdoor air and using well water for cooling. All outdoor air is employed in order to purge the room of ink and oil mist and paper lint originating from press operation. When air is not recirculated, a costly and troublesome maintenance problem is thus eliminated.

Air is supplied at the floor of the reel room (area under the presses for paper storage and press supply) and also through low velocity pan outlets located below the catwalks of the press. The purpose of this low velocity, low-level air distribution is to obtain maximum cooling effect from the air supply. Since all of the heat generated by the press is in the form of friction, distributed throughout the length and height of the press structure, the heat thus generated is permitted to rise unhampered to the ceiling.

When this is done, a large part of the total heat does not affect the room temperature at the operating floor level, but is exhausted directly at the ceiling through roof ventilators arranged for easy cleaning. Conventional air outlets of the mixing type are not used because this type would interfere with the warm rising air current over the press, and would nullify approximately one-third of the additional cooling effect obtained by the use of pan outlets.

In press rooms cooled on the basis of this principle, room temperature reductions of 5 deg. to 7 deg. have been observed. The use of this method has permitted a substantial reduction in system air capacity and consequent operating costs, below that required by conventional design procedure.

A two-speed motor for the supply fan makes possible a 50% reduction in air capacity for economical winter operation and for human comfort, by reducing air movement to a minimum



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during the winter season.

Two banks of well water coils are installed for summer cooling, one of which is contained in a sprayed coil section for winter humidification. Well water was selected for cooling because it provides a good economic balance between costs and room temperature conditions, where the space requires large volumes of outdoor air to replace the air exhausted, and where high internal heat conditions prevail.

In the present case, it was possible to re-use this same well water for condensing purposes in the refrigerating

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systems located elsewhere in the building.

STEREOTYPE ROOM

The same type of supply air system is provided here as described for the press room. Internal heat gains from lead melting and molding machines. mat formers and scorchers, etc., are extremely high and this equipment is provided with specially constructed hoods and direct mechanical exhaust, to contain and relieve as much of this heat as is economically possible. As a result the total exhaust quantity is quite high. The air supplied directly to the room is held below the total exhaust requirements to provide a negative air pressure in the stereotype room so that heat, smoke and foundry odors are localized.

Because most of the personnel here is exposed to equipment having high radiant heat loss, perspiration is unavoidable at any room temperature. Room temperatures approximately 5 deg. or 10 deg. higher than usual are required in this case for optimum comfort conditions. Drafts are guarded against by careful placement and design of the air supply outlets.

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COMPOSING ROOM

Full air conditioning employing the double-duct type of system is provided here. Each wall exposure is separately zoned, as well as the interior space. Lighting intensity is high and heat gain from linotype machines is also high, and further aggravated by the usual close spacing of these machines. The nature of the linotype operator's work requires close concentration, and equalization of room temperature without drafts is of paramount importance for a successful cooling application.

Computations for each individual bay were made and the required air volume established by the actual load for each bay in order to secure uniform temperature conditions throughout the

Next in importance is the best type of supply air outlet, designed for air mixing and temperature equalization, properly selected so that drafts do not occur. Anything less than the two requirements mentioned will generally lead to an unsatisfactory installation in a composing room.

Approximately 50% of the total air supplied to the room is outdoor air. This is required partly to offset direct exhaust from some of the equipment and also for diluting the concentration of oil mist, lead fumes and smoke haze originating in the well-oiled linotypes, which also contain a small pot of

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Good zone control is a requisite because the heat gain from the linotype machines varies with the speed of operations, from 25% to 100% of full-rated motor and heating element capacity.

Relative humidity is automatically maintained in winter for the standard comfort condition. No fixed humidity is required for any operations in this department.

ENGRAVING DEPARTMENT

A central station air-conditioning system is provided, which handles 100% outdoor air that is required for make-up of direct exhaust.

Full air conditioning was selected because the department is located in the building without exterior exposure. If this were not the case, something less than full air conditioning would generally be satisfactory. As a general rule, persons confined in an interior space during working hours require lower temperature conditions for the same sensation of comfort felt by others who work with windows nearby.

A single duct supplies the entire area. Temperature control is obtained for the various rooms by means of gradual-acting dampers located in the branch ducts and they are automatically controlled by room thermostats according to variations in internal heat

Operations in the etching department require diverse types of direct exhaust and hoods.

Zinc and copper etching machines consist of enclosed stoneware tubs containing acid and a wooden circulating fan, with air inlet slots and an exhaust outlet. Stainless steel ductwork, under suction, is connected to the exhaust outlet and provided with an arrangement for varying the quantity of direct exhaust from the machine. Ductwork must be soldered and the condensation collected and drained.

Powder boxes are table-high enclosures where a rouge powder is used for manual dusting. Velocity across the enclosure opening should be sufficient to contain the powder within the enclosure but not so high that it conveys it into the ductwork.

For best results, a plenum space containing a fine cotton bag filter is built at the top of the powder box and connected to the direct exhaust system. The bag is equipped with a shaker device for maintaining it in good operating condition. Some powder boxes have a self-contained fan, but in this case also the bag filter is essential for reclaiming the powder and for keeping the ductwork and main exhaust fan clean.

Gas stoves and dryers are hooded in the conventional manner and connected to direct exhaust.

Acid is stored on a prepared section of the floor and against a wall. A stainless steel duct is located against the wall behind the acid carboys and air is exhausted through high-velocity slotted openings in the duct, so that fumes are removed at their source.

Dark rooms for photographic development require direct exhaust located above the sink and a conditioned air supply of less volume than the exhaust, in order to maintain the rooms at a slightly negative pressure.

The camera rooms, where cameras and arc lights are located, are subject to large fluctuations in internal heat gain when the arcs are in use. The arc lights are movable on the camera frame and a satisfactory arrangement consists of locating a direct exhaust register midway of the arc's travel and on the center line of the camera. The direct exhaust is essential where carbon arcs are used and desirable for trapping the intense heat.

In the printing rooms, conditions are somewhat similar to the camera rooms. When sensitized paper is being used, it is essential that room temperature and humidity conditions be controlled and held as nearly constant as possible to prevent stretching and shrinking of the paper while in storage and during the printing operation.

MAIL ROOM

Newspapers are conveyed from the press to the mail room where they are counted, bundled and prepared for mailing and shipping. A central station air-conditioning system using well water provides general cooling and heating year round. No special problems are encountered here, the internal heat gains consisting of some heat carried in the paper from the press, conveyor motors, lights and people.

Air is distributed overhead and evenly throughout the floor, by means of air mixing type of ceiling outlets evenly located throughout the room.

PRESS CONTROL ROOM

Secondary resistors of the grid type, located in fan-cooled cubicles, are used in connection with speed control of the press. The grids generate considerable heat in the building at low press speed, and they are located in a separate room partly on account of this. The cubicles are hooded and vented directly to outdoors. Replacement air is

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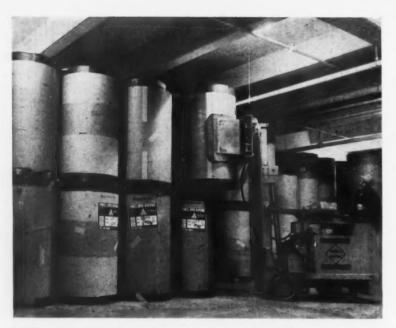
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GENERAL AREAS

All departments comprising the general offices are completely air conditioned in summer and in winter, utilizing the double-duct type of system. Each exposure for all departments is zoned and supplied with air from a separate duct having individual tem-

perature controls for both heating and cooling. Each floor level is separately treated in a similar manner in order to maintain the indoor temperature at a constant and comfortable condition.

Certain areas are supplied by a separate zone duct with individual automatic controls because of their nature or to take care of large fluctuations in occupancy. The areas are the recreation room, cafeteria, cooking school, kitchen, museum, conference rooms, first aid treatment rooms, etc. These areas are also equipped with direct exhaust systems for purging the spaces of cooking odors, cigarette smoke, etc.

LOCKER ROOMS AND TOILETS

All locker rooms, similar areas and

Factual Data Total Air Direct Outdoor Air Mechanical Exhaust Aren Supplied Supplied 30,600 32,000 Press Room 30,600 Stereo 9,000 9,000 9.000 Composing 18,000 4,500 4,500 min. Engraving 6,000 6,000 6,300 Mail Room 13,000 2,600 min. Press Control Room 14,000 14,000 14,000 Kitchen 2,500 Locker Rooms, etc. 15,400 15,000 News Room and Circ. 2,500 min. General Offices 50,000 10,000 min. Totals 155,600 83,700 79,200

toilets are provided with direct mechanical exhaust ventilation.

NEWS ROOM AND CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

This entire area is completely air conditioned in a manner similar to that described for the general offices.

HEATING EQUIPMENT

All air-conditioning and ventilating equipment is provided with air-heating coils operating with low-pressure steam and practically all building heating is accomplished in this equipment. All entrance doors from the street, shipping doors and stair towers are provided with direct radiation to prevent cold air from entering the building at these points.

The heating plant consists of two low-pressure steam boilers fired by natural gas with standby facilities so that heavy oil may be burned at a few moments notice, whenever the gas service is curtailed by the local utility company in severe weather. Domestic water is pumped through heating coils immersed in the boiler water and automatically controlled, then stored in tank reservoirs, ready for use.

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CONDENSATE PUMPS

Two duplex motor-driven condensate pump units and receivers, each of 15 gpm. capacity, are used for returning all condensate to the boilers.

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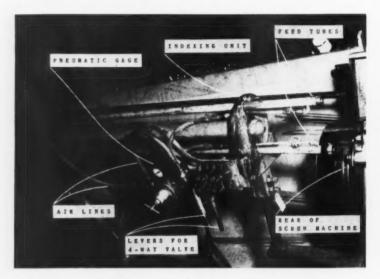
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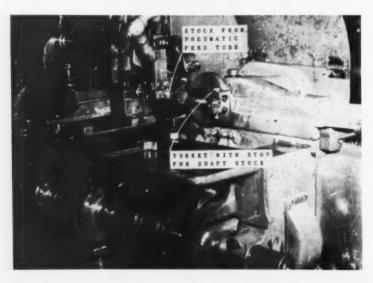
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Shaft stock ranges to ½ in, in diameter, while finished shafts have lengths up to 14 in. Each shaft has a bearing surface and as many as six grooves at each end. Machining tolerances range from ±0.0010 in. for diameters, to ±0.0020 in. for lengths between grooves.

Feed mechanisms respectively comprise two feed tubes mounted on an indexing device, and each feed tube provides housing for a retractable air cylinder which is individually operated by means of the manual lever of a four-way valve providing five lb. of pressure from an air regulator and gauge.

A feed tube is loaded from the front end while it is in the uppermost position, then it is indexed to the lowest position to feed a screw machine from the rear. A special turret on the machine is pre-adjusted by means of adaptor bars so as to provide a stock stop which will maintain the desired lengths of shafts in each different circumstance.

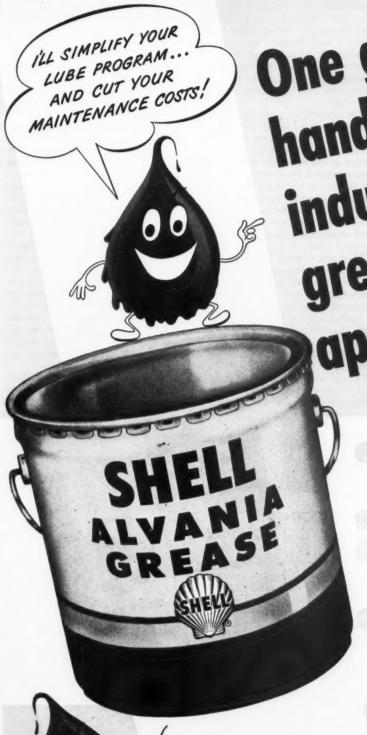
Shaft ends are grooved by means of two separate cutting operations, and a vertical cutoff is actuated so as to finish each part with the desired length. Then, as stock in the lowest feed tube is used to fabricate successive parts, the piston in the upper feed tube is retracted so that it can be loaded by the machine operator and manually indexed to the feed position as soon as stock in the lower tube is exhausted.

Air lines at both ends of the respective feed tubes permit the air-feed pistons to be moved fore or aft by means of the four-way valves, and these movements as well as indexing operations could be cam-actuated by the automatic screw machine if production requirements made a more elaborate mechanism practical.

Circular form tools are placed on both cross slides, alternating with the feed mechanism, and a guide is fastened to the standard swing stock to reduce vibrations. The vertical cutoff is of conventional design.

Generally speaking, the air feed mechanism eliminates most of the time that is normally lost in reloading stock in an automatic screw machine; and, for this reason, Clary officials say it has saved the cost of one man and one machine in daily production work.

The air-feed mechanism was designed for Clary by Lloyd Conlay.



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Troublesome problems in a chemical plant

By C. O. BURGIN Burgin Associates, Inc. San Francisco

SOME of the troublesome problems encountered in a large chemical plant were as follows:

Two of the products being manufactured and packaged in paper bags were a dusting sulphur and a second compound consisting of sulphur to which had been added a number of chemicals. Both were produced in the same building; production of both was highly seasonal and dictated by sales demands. For instance, one week production would consist primarily of the dusting sulphur; during the next week the mixture would be produced in large quantities.

The raw sulphur used in both products was received in rail cars and unloaded by scrapers operating within the car and spilling its contents into a hopper at the door; the material was then conveyed by a screw conveyor into a building where a pile 18 ft. high was maintained as inventory. It was taken from this pile to the grinding and mixing machines by a fork-lift truck equipped with a hydraulically operated scoop.

After the sulphur had been processed into either product, it was bagged, loaded five bags high on large wooden pallets, and transported to the warehouse close by. Here the pallets of dusting sulphur were stacked four high; the pallets of the mixture could not be stacked on top of one another for 24 hours because the extra weight caused the contents to cake.

Caking was not desirable from a sales standpoint. However, after the pallets had remained on the floor one pallet high for a period of 72 hours, they could be stacked three high in storage.

The varying production rates created a variation in the total amount of material and the amount of each type to be stored in the warehouse. Volumetrically, the warehouse was capable of handling the tonnage if all of the storage cube could be utilized.

The problem of using the available volume was solved by recommending spindle pallets for the sulphur mixture, so that it could be stacked four pallets high at the time of manufacture and thus leave sufficient room for storage of the dusting sulphur. This permitted utilization of the warehouse volume to the fullest extent and also reduced the use of the lift truck.

Another problem involved handling 147 different products and packages from the production machines to the warehouse. A tremendous increase in business had made the original warehouse facilities inadequate for the maximum inventory that was necessary to provide for seasonal sales demands. An interim solution was provided prior to eventually enlarging the warehouse.

At the time of the survey, the finished packages moved from the production area by a belt conveyor, which



was elevated a few feet off the warehouse floor, through the supply section into the warehouse. The conveyor interfered with the operations in the supply storage area and the warehouse; it prevented efficient use of space in both areas. In order to balance the flow of material from production to shipping, we recommended (1) elevating the conveyor to the extreme height that the trusses would permit, and (2) extending the belt conveyor down through the center of the warehouse to the end wall. At this point, we recommended the conveyor be dropped to the floor level where the packages could be palletized without hindering operations in either the warehouse or supply section.

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This solution permitted full use of the warehouse for storage and selection. It was laid out with six-ft. aisles and an assembly line in the center for selecting the packages required by each customer's order. A straddle truck, electrically propelled, was recommended for handling the pallets within the warehouse. Electric transporters were suggested for the order assembly line. Selection was to be made directly to the pallet.

Production was seasonal in character and the two original production lines were being operated almost continuously during the first six months of the year. It was obvious from the data accumulated that the warehouse was overburdened because of the unbalanced conditions existing in the production section. Installing another production line (1) permitted reduction of the warehouse inventory to a minimum consistent with sales, (2) made use of the warehouse as a distribution section only.

Pitfalls in bidding on government contracts

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FIRST, the contractor should employ someone familiar with government specifications to interpret his packaging requirements as called out on the invitation to bid. If the contractor has a small organization and cannot afford to employ such personnel on a permanent basis, he can call on a reliable packaging company to furnish him assistance in preparing his bid. Usually this service is furnished without charge.

Second, do not submit a bid based on employing shop carpenters, maintenance, and/or excess labor to fabri-



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cate the containers, because they often think the container specifications are trivial. Rejections by government inspectors after the containers have been built can be a very significant item in the packaging cost.

Employment of inexperienced personnel in the fabrication of containers can result in container rejection for any one of the following reasons:

- 1. Too much moisture in the lumber.
- 2. Divergence of grain in the lumber.
- 3. Lumber not of proper quality as to grade or thickness.
- 4. Wrong size nails.
- 5. Nail pattern incorrect.
- 6. Box design not correct for type of load.
- Box liners not installed before items were packaged.

If the contractor, at the time of submitting his bid, employs a competent and experienced packaging engineer to interpret correctly the government specifications, this pitfall can be avoided. The small cost of expert advice will more than offset the cost of possible repackaging and/or rebuilding of shipping containers.

Third, do not miscalculate the cost of interior packaging from the standpoint of either labor or materials. Check thoroughly on the cost of setup boxes and cartons, especially if the contract requires procuring in small quantities.

Foil barriers for interior packing are another pitfall, because of the costly

and slow laboratory tests required for sample bags. It is usually more economical for the small contractor to purchase these foil barriers from a source of supply approved by the Armed Forces.

Cyclic exposure and drop tests, when required, can also substantially increase the cost of packaging.

One of the most frequent miscalculations is failure to include the shipping or carloading costs.

Transition from mobile to conveyorized handling

By

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THIS PROBLEM involves the movement of packaged furniture from the final assembly lines in a main manufacturing building across a 61-ft. roadway to a proposed warehouse building. The packages weigh a maximum of 125 lbs. and have a maximum dimension of about 36 in. Up to 3,000 units must be transported to storage per 8-hr. shift.

Since lift trucks, motor trucks and people use the roadway constantly, transporting the material by lift truck could be highly inefficient and hazardous. One truck would not do the job and the labor cost would be prohibitive

An overhead trolley conveyor was ruled out by a city building restriction specifying a 60-ft. easement between the buildings, and the only possible alternative was a conveyor under the roadway between the two buildings. The expense of this could be reduced by digging the tunnel and the warehouse foundation at one time.

A 36-in, wide flat belt roller bed conveyor proved the most practical solution. The one we installed runs through a seven-foot square reinforced concrete tunnel with its floor nine feet below the roadway. It follows a 10-ft. horizontal path at the loading point in the manufacturing building, drops down a 25ft. long slope into the tunnel, extends 62 ft. through the tunnel, rises steeply up an 18-ft. long slope into the warehouse building and then travels 10 feet farther horizontally. There are two 100-ft. long lines of gravity roller conveyor at either end of the belt, for loading and unloading.

The final assembly and packing lines were swung around to a convenient off-bearing point where men boxing the units can also place them on the conveyor. At the end of the conveyor in the warehouse two unloaders



remove the packages from the convevor, stack them on pallets and warehouse the pallet loads.

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This installation in operation has eliminated our difficulties and has showed a direct labor saving of \$12 a day. We recognize that further improvements will facilitate unloading and storing in the warehouse, and some thought is being given to automatic stacking devices and similar equipment.

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Navy packaging policy

LESLIE C. HELLER Vice-Chief, Packaging Section
Office of Naval Material

WE FEEL it is essential that in-dustry should be kept in the military packaging business, so that material delivered to us can be stored, handled and reshipped with a minimum of effort. We are also looking ahead to the future, so that we can avoid the difficulties of World War II, when so much material was worthless on arrival because industry was not up to date on military packaging.

Our supply system involves longer periods of storage, more handlings and danger of rust and corrosion than ordinary commercial business. So to obtain uniform application of Navy basic policy, it was decided early this year to issue an official interpretation, covering particular "best commercial practice" and "Consolidated Freight Clas-

sification rules."

Our interpretation is that "commercial practice" in preservation and packaging may be considered adequate when it is definitely known that the item is required for immediate use by a domestic receiving activity. When it is definitely known that the item will be so used within 180 days and will be in covered storage throughout this period, the level may be lowered to a point consistent with the anticipated hazards of shipment, storage and handling. Instead of using the term "Com-



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mercial Practice," specific language will be used in the procurement document to cover the specific situation.

When definitely known that material is needed for immediate use by a domestic receiving activity, packing in compliance with "Consolidated Freight Classification rules" may be considered adequate. For all other material this term or "Commercial Practice" may not be used, but packing and containers shall conform to Federal or military specifications or shall have the technical approval of the procuring authority.

Military marking, testing

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REINSPECTION requirements provide that, when applicable, the contractor must mark each container with the inspection date for preservation. Provisions for omission of case liners in export shipping boxes appear to be more liberal than on the old forms. Domestic shipping containers must conform to certain listed Federal specifications, unless otherwide specified, whereas containers built to meet Consolidated Freight Classification rules were formerly allowed.

Maximum gross weight for a Type 1 load shipped domestically in fibre containers was formerly 70 lbs.; now no gross weight is mentioned, therefore the weight may equal the load as specified by the manufacturer's seal. This is not to be confused with the 275-lb. Mullen Test requirements.

Tests for preservation are required on pilot packs, routine production packages and packages utilizing different basic methods.

Use of time lapse camera

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THE TIME-LAPSE camera provides the answer for an accurate, rapid and inexpensive method for the analysis and timing of group or crew activities as compared with the expense and tediousness of individual and interruption-type studies. It takes a picture once every 1/100 of a minute, in contrast to the normal speed of 16 frames per second. This allows 100 ft. of film to last 40 min., rather than the normal four minutes.

It is relatively inexpensive since the film is run at a much slower speed than normal. The film provides a permanent record which can be reviewed at a later date by other observers or union men.

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Once the camera is started, the observer is free to make any other observations necessary, since he does not have to watch the camera or the crew. The camera is driven by a synchronous motor which provides accurate timing of the film so that it can be used both for analysis and for establishing time standards. The data can be very easily charted from the information obtained from the film.

The actual procedure to be followed in taking the film is similar to ordinary motion picture work. The operators should be informed that not only are their pictures being taken, but that the camera is also recording the time for the operation. Care must be taken to see that the proper lighting is used. It is necessary to use a wide-angle lens so that a large area will be covered which is necessary in crew operations. Once the camera is started, no further attention is generally required until the film has been used.

A loading operation was photographed in which there was a threeman crew. Two stackers were putting cartons in place in a freight car, and a fork lift truck supplying the material to the stackers. The film shows the relative activity of the three men and the delays or waits when someone in the crew did not have a proper work balance.

The analysis of the film can be used for methods improvements, better work balancing, and for establishing the time standard for that particular loading operation. The film can be reviewed at normal speed and will show 40 min. of work in four minutes time, which saves the time of supervisors or others who look at the film. Thus, with a small amount of film and in a short time both the analysis and time standard can be accomplished.

Crane, monorail problem

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PROBLEM involves the overhead handling of materials in loads up to six tons. The building, in which the work is to be done, is of masonry walls and steel framework. Shape of the building is rectangular and is 320 ft. wide by 960 ft. long.

Insurance requirements made it necessary to divide the building into four sections by means of interior masonry walls; each section being 240 ft. long and 320 ft. wide. Each section consists of columns on 20 ft. by 60 ft. spacing and a clear height of 25 ft. to lower chord of truss. Thus, each section has four bays of 60-ft. column centers.

There is one center aisle down the building 20 ft. wide and 960 ft. long. At each firewall, there are two self-closing motor-operated fire doors.

There is a truck unloading dock in one end of one section. Problem of handling to transport load to any portion of any other section. Solution could not be accomplished with any of the standard monorail bridge crane systems, using interlocking bridges.

Since more than one crane would be traveling through buildings in the various sections, the only known solution was a monorail bridge crane with swiveling end trucks and motor-operated turntables. The motor-operated turntables were placed along center aisle the long way of the building. Four turntables in each 60-ft. bay along main aisle throughout length of building provide full coverage.



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URING the past two years since its re-establishment, the Labor-Management Council of Pacific Electric Railway Company has become a sounding board where both labor and management can exchange views and reach a middle ground where points of difference are understood, minimized, softened, and points of agreement are emphasized, becoming springboards for united action. While the Council works only by making recommendations to the proper authority, it has attained objectives which might otherwise have taken years to accomplish-if they were accomplished at all.

The Council Make-up

On March 30, 1950, the Conference Room, 465 Pacific Electric Building, Los Angeles, was the scene for reestablishment of the Management-Labor Committee which had been active during World War II. Eleven management and nine labor representatives participated with high hopes for a cooperative committee resulting in a greater understanding between management and brotherhoods, increased job security, increased revenue, and improved Pacific Electric standing.

Under the new Labor-Management constitution, the Council is headed by two co-chairmen, one from management and one from labor who take turns at regular meetings held on the last Thursday of each month.

Suggestions and recommendations stemming from the Council have resulted in the following accomplishments shown in the minutes of Council meetings since reorganization:

Supervisory training classes in transportation, mechanical and engineering departments have been initiated

Through cooperation of the University of California at Los Angeles, at its downtown classrooms on Hill St., an extension course, "Transport Management-Labor Relations" was started in

the fall of 1951. Ending the following June, the course was well attended by both management and labor. Representatives from both groups addressed the students.

Accomplishments

A courtesy campaign was inspired and expanded including a series of posters offered by the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks aimed at increased civility toward travelers and shippers.

Conversion of an old motor coach by Torrance forces of the mechanical department makes Pacific Electric ready and willing for anything from public relations films through supervisory training classes to a go-to-thepolls-and-vote campaign.

Better understanding between labor and management has been promoted through invitations exchanged and accepted to attend each other's meetings.

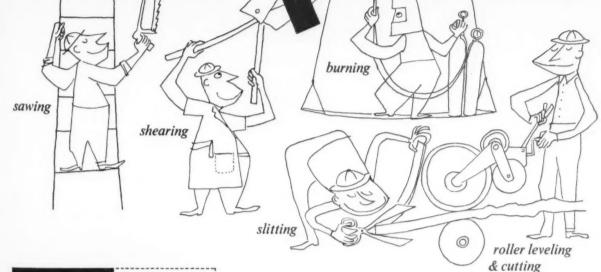
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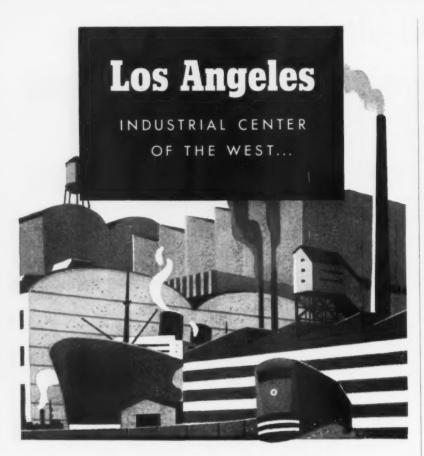
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A system-wide blood bank program to build P. E. Blood Bank credit at the Red Cross and to aid our men in Korea is constantly being carried on,

A freight protection department has been newly organized emphasizing the importance of taking every reasonable effort to conserve railway revenues and to eliminate avoidable loss and damage.

Better Working Conditions

A sub-committee has been formed, composed of two representatives of labor and two of management to consider employee working conditions.

In several departments, medical releases are no longer required from employees wishing to return to work after illness. Similar rulings throughout the organization are expected to follow shortly.

On April 28 a system-wide enlistment of operators, as well as repair and maintenance forces of the mechanical and engineering departments, in the civil defense program was started. By June 1, nearly 580 employees had enlisted for emergency service.

Improved Bulletin Board

An improved bulletin board system keeps employees up-to-date on all new ideas and programs with noteworthy results.

A policy regarding lost employee passes has been instituted, making the waiting period between report of loss and issuance of new pass a uniform two months in every case.

A stronger community relations program has been set up by revision of company-sponsored employee memberships in chambers of commerce and service clubs.

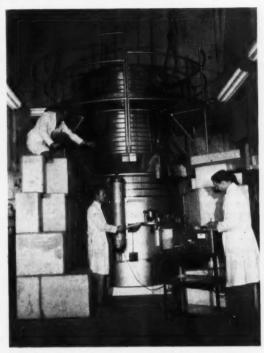
Rumors Pinned Down

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And, finally, through Council efforts, greater support is now given to defense bond campaigns.

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ENGINEERS at North American Aviation's Atomic Energy Research Department measure the background radiation level around the water boiler type atomic energy reactor. Concrete blocks, used to shield the reactor have been removed, showing the tank-like housing where the graphite reflector and core are located. Superstructure is not a part of the reactor, but is one of the many test units which can be used with the water boiler for experiments and study in the field of reactor development.

THE FIRST ATOMIC energy reactor to operate in California is now working at North American Aviation's Downey plant. Designed and built by the firm's Atomic Energy Research Department under contract with the Atomic Energy Commission, the water boiler neutron source, or "baby" reactor, is being used to further the development of reactors and associated projects.

Although the water boiler reactor at North American is quite small in comparison with reactors for producing fissionable materials or useful power, it will be valuable for obtaining information for use in designing improved small-sized reactors for various industrial purposes.

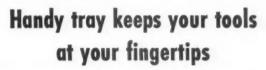
The water boiler is the vital part of a facility for making reactor physics measurements that will guide reactor development. The water boiler neutron source will supply the neutrons needed for these measurements.

Exterior of the reactor, pictured above, is shielded by a housing of 2-ft. thick concrete blocks. The concrete surrounds a cylindrical graphite reflector 5 ft. in diameter and 6 ft. high, formed by stacking graphite bars horizontally inside a steel tank. The reflector surrounds the reactor core, a stainless steel sphere one foot in diameter.

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Industrial dispersion guidebook for locating defense plants

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identify highly industrialized and densely populated sections and potential target zones, and other procedures the manufacturers should follow.

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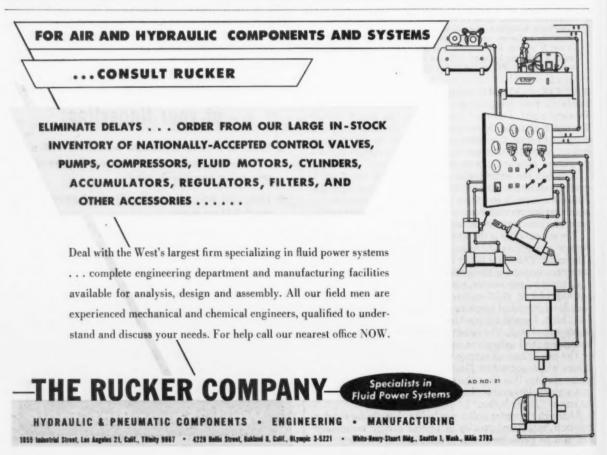
Latest technical methods in use in the "Lost-wax" or investment process for producing precision metal castings are presented in a report just released by Office of Technical Services, U. S. Department of Commerce. Especially valuable is an extensive bibliography which lists literature references, U. S. Government reports, and books on this and related casting methods. The 13-page brochure sells for 25c a copy.

All about distribution and marketing in a mobilization period

A stenographic brief of an address given before the California Personnel Management Association and the Personnel Section of the Western Management Association by Stokes Tomlin, distribution engineer, Shell Oil Co., discusses distribution and marketing in a mobilization period. Copies cost \$1.00, and text is published by Research Division, California Personnel Management Association.

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Tire guidebook

A 12-page industrial tire handbook is available from *B. F. Goodrich Co.* Booklet shows complete Goodrich industrial tire line, explains service to which each tire should be put and gives maintenance tips on care of industrial tires.

11 Executive personality discussed

A four-page folder discussing personality factors in executive development is published by *The Harold F. Howard Co.*, management and engineering consulting firm. Folder includes information on basic points of executive development programs, appraisal and selection of executives for development, personality testing, etc. Circle key number for your free copy.

12 Color analysis booklet

"Color Analysis and Its Use" is an engineering bulletin made available by Panama Lamp & Commercial Co., Inc. Its final chart showing seven "white" fluorescent lamp colors recommended in various applications, can serve as a simple and practical guide for any fluorescent lamp user.

Automatic pallet loader described

Lamson Corp. issues a 16-page bulletin describing its newly developed automatic pallet loader. Pictures and sketches show unit in operation.



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Cost check chart for polishing and buffing

E. Reed Burns Mfg. Corp., makers of polishing and buffing compounds, offer this chart for accurately determining cost of polishing and buffing operations. Neatly laid out with the idea of determining most efficient and economical compounds for each particular operation, you simply fill in figures indicated on the card and, from them, actual net cost is readily computed. For your free copy, circle key number on postcard.

15 A study in engineering economics

Battelle Memorial Institute has published a booklet describing its research in engineering economics which is available to our readers. The Institute's research covers six fields: industrial market research, raw materials studies, diversification studies, research planning, industrial logistics and plant location, and operations research. This one is a "must" of industrial planners.

16 Handbook on insulation of metal buildings

Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp. engineers have prepared this booklet to illustrate their point that metal structures need not be hot as ovens in summer and cold as the great out-doors in winter. Complete details of insulations for every metal building need are listed.

17 Bearings for all service and production needs

Bunting Brass & Bronze Co.'s latest catalog is now ready. Listed are 854 sizes of standard stock bearings from 3 16-in, to 4½-in, inside diameter in a range of outside diameters, 324 electric motor bearings and 263 sizes of tubular and solid Bunting precision bronze bars. New sizes have been added to lists. For your free copy, circle key number on postcard.

Automatic controls offer solution to door problems

Automatically operated doors include productivity, service, good will, and profits, according to the Magic Hoor division, The Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn., who have prepared a 16-page brochure on the subject. Technical details are illustrated, butures show installations and uses, and specific information to help you solve your door problems is offered in this publication, AIA file No. 16-D.

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20 Precision aircraft equipment

Adel, a division of General Metals Corp., has a 2-color booklet picturing and explaining its hydraulic, pneumatic, heater, anti-icing and fuel system equipment. Publication goes into engine accessories, special equipment and line supports. Outlined and illustrated are Adel's outstanding special production and testing facilities.

A case study in mechanized accounting

Remington Rand, Inc.'s new folder points out that office mechanization is as necessary as plant mechanization because antiquated methods and equipment can not keep up with modern factory production. Complete operation of company's accounting machine is described in folder with illustrations of actual forms used.

Plastic glazing to reduce window breakage

Rohm & Haas Co. now has an informative two-color booklet on "Window Glazing with Plexiglas." It is written for plant maintenance engineers, architects, and maintenance superintendents of office buildings and schools, who are confronted with frequent breakage of windows or other glazing problems involving high labor costs.

Electric tool catalog

Ingersoll-Rand Co. publishes a 36-page catalog covering its line of Multi-Cycle electric tools. Sections are devoted to impactools, nut runners, drills, screw drivers, grinders, buffers, sanders and polishers.

Job study illustrates warehousing economies

Cost-conscious warehousing and production executives will find special interest in the account of savings gained through advanced handling methods in a certified job study prepared by *Towmotor Corp*.



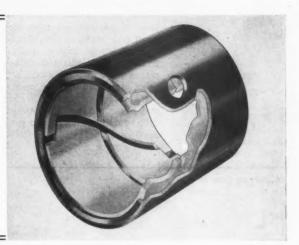


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NEW MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT

25-Close fits with nylon-lined bearings

These standard Thinwall Nylined bearings, offered by *Thomson Industries, Inc.*, are being initially offered in ten sizes ranging from ½ in. to ½ in. I. D. They consist of a thin, drawn steel outer sleeve and a free floating liner of DuPont FM 10001 Nylon. They are extremely compact, light weight, and resist poundout, decrease friction, permit dry operation, damp mechanical vibration, and minimize abrasion failures. They are corrosion resistant and can be operated submerged in liquids.



26-For quieter offices

One way to keep up office morale is by equipping your typewriters, calculating machines, etc. with an Andal Typad. This under-the-machine pad not only quiets the machine's performance, but it is easy to look at. Made from a combination of foam rubber on the bottom and a decorator-type fabric on top, furnished in two sizes—11 x 13 in. or 15 x 17 in., available from Andrews-Alderfer Co. in either green or gray fabric on harmonizing green latex base.



27-Desk-top two-way radio

As a component of its new line of 450-mc. twoway radio equipment designed for industrial use, *Motorola* offers this locally controlled base station housed in a desk-top cabinet. It incorporates a number of features, including the "Sensicon" receiver with its triple I. F. conversion and Permakay filter which guarantees permanent selectivity under all conditions of temperature, humidity, and vibration. This base station is the companion piece to previously offered mobile units.



Air powered drill designed for ease of operation

"Gurmendi" air drill unit contains a hydraulic monitor which takes "sponginess" out of air, resulting in quick ap-



proach to work, positive adjustment rate through work, with no danger of break through, and rapid return. Drill has positive stop adjustments on both forward and return strokes. Stroke is a full two in. with controlled feed of 1½ in. Control of feeding rate is taken over at any desired point in spindle travel by monitor. Drill is compact, low in cost and has controlled air powered drilling unit for high speed production. Made by Alkon Products Corp.

29 Mill-type power strap dispenser



A dispenser for heavy volume users of steel strap handles ribbon wound strap in 34-, $1\frac{1}{4}$ - and 2-in. widths. It feeds strapping at rate of 6 to 10 fpm., and cutting operation requires only 2 to 4 seconds. It is made with extra-heavy steel frame, and it occupies a space $3 \times 5 \times 3$ ft. and weighs 874 lb., empty. It is easy to operate, having push button control. Machine cannot start until safety door on coil holder is shut. Cutter blades are of high carbon, high chrome steel, and are reversible. A product of Signode Steel Strapping Co.

Conveyor centers automatically



Material traveling on this Alvey conveyor is automatically centered. Each roller is slightly tilted with alternate rollers tilted in opposite directions to form a "trough." Vee-Conveyor, produced by Alvey Conveyor Manufacturing Co., comes in various widths and roller load capacities to suit varying requirements. Ideal for pipe, board, bars, shapes, shells and other similar items. They roll forward easily without necessity of a side guard.

Walls admit light, screen vision,



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Corrugated and flat fiberglas reinforced translucent sheets called "Plexolite" have advantage of admitting light freely while screening vision. Shatterproof, weatherproof, economical, "Plexolite" is an ideal material for patio roofs, skylights, partitions, outer panel replacements and lifetime maintenance-free installations, according to *Plexolite Corp.*, manufacturer. Available in 12 colors, including coral, yellow, green and blue. Manufactured in four thicknesses; readily installed with ordinary tools.

Electric chain hoist has push button control

An electric chain hoist available in capacities from 250 to 2,000 lb. has push button control. Plug operates from



any single phase lighting circuit, 220- or 440-volt power line. No more than 110 volts pass through control station, regardless of voltage used. Other features include: "Herc-Alloy" double duty flexible welded steel load chain, upper and lower safety limits; helical gears; positive chain guide; precision bearings; fully enclosed mechanism; permanent lubrication. Available from Chisholm-Moore Hoist Corp.

Narrow width hardboard panel for fast, easy installation

A first in construction materials is now offered to builders in *Forest Fiber Product Co.'s* Tee-N-Gee paneling. A light, natural wood color, tongue and groove hardboard panel, Tee-N-Gee measures 16 in. wide by 8 ft. long as compared to the 4 x 8 ft. panels which have heretofore been standard industry size. These panels permit fast and easy application over studs, furring strips or over old plaster walls by both unskilled and professional builders.

Wet-dry clean-up for floors

A new heavy-duty portable vacuum for wet and dry cleaning of floors is introduced by *United Floor Machine Co*. Called Uni-Vac, model UV1-901, this machine vacuums floors and rugs before scrubbing and then removes every trace of scrubbing solution to leave areas virtually moisture-free. Motor unit lifts out of its rubber cushion to be used as a separate portable blower. Providing both suction and blower action, Uni-vac can also be used for cleaning upholstery, removing dust and dirt from bins, shelves, pipes, beams, and machinery.

Crystals will prevent corrosion without coatings



Positive protection against rust without costly coating is chief feature of VPI, a volatile amine nitrite marketed by Shell Oil Co. This powder-like product also aids in reducing cost of packaging metal parts and protecting them during storage and shipment. Only small quantities of VPI are required for a job. It protects by

giving off vapor which is carried to all metal surfaces and then condenses to provide a thin film. In addition to preventing rust, VPI arrests corrosion at any advanced stage.

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Protection of mild steel from corrosion after cleaning can now be achieved by application of a recently developed homogenous solution known as Kelite M-2 manufactured by *Kelite Products*, *Inc.* Product affords superior corrosion inhibiting properties, eliminates need for drying prior to treatment and is impervious to finger-printing. It may be applied by immersion, spray or brush. It is non-flammable (flash point 140 deg. F.), non-phenolic and non-toxic. It will not burn skin and vapors are safe to breath. It has a unique ability to displace and absorb up to 11% of its own volume in water without impairment of efficiency.

Roller chain requires little lubrication

A roller chain manufactured by Whitney Chain Co. has oil-impregnated sintered bushing that requires little or no lubrication. This chain was designed to satisfy a recognized need for a chain drive which would operate efficiently where conventional lubrication methods are either not possible or are not desirable. Laboratory tests indicate that this chain has a longer service life. It is especially suitable where lubrication damages material being processed.

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"Miti-Mite" for de-magnetization

Here is a foolproof device wherever magnetism is a problem, according to *Enco Manufacturing Co*. Called "Miti-Mite" de-magnetiser No.



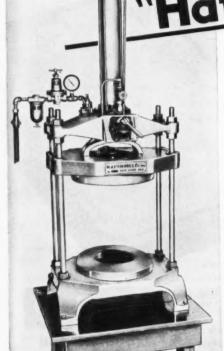
Mite" de-magnetiser No. 500, this is a new portable instrument which thoroughly de-magnetizes tools, dies, parts and pieces by plugging it into any 110 A.C. outlet and sliding it over surface of item to be de-magnetized. Because of unit's plastic case and flush position of bottom, poles, sliding treatment will not mar or scratch highly polished surfaces.

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Air manifold is ideal for variety of hand tools

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Here is *Dillon & Co., Inc.'s* latest addition to its line of traction dynamometers. Known as model "EL", these are its special features: 13 different capacities from 0-500 lb. up to 0-100,000 lb.; 5 or 10-in. diameter dial optional; dial is protected with shatterproof safety glass crystal; overload is protected; it is furnished with shackles and attachment pins; it is rust and moisture proof; compact (0-500-lb. model weights 8½ lb.); it is individually calibrated for maximum accuracy. This dynamometer works on principle of deflecting a calibrated beam. It is not affected by extreme temperature changes and is rugged enough to be treated as a field instrument.

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pieces in work at a time make possible slower die speeds, less wear and a proportionate extension of die life. Available from D. H. Prutton Machinery Co.

43 Diverter valve permits field installation

Newly designed diverter valve makes possible economical field installation of a number of special hydraulic attachments on fork trucks. With valve, truck's hydraulic system for tilting the upright can be used to operate special hydraulic attachment using standard tilt lever as means of control. When diverter valve plunger is in "up" position, oil flows to tilt cylinder, and truck operator has normal

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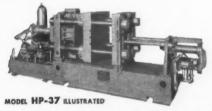


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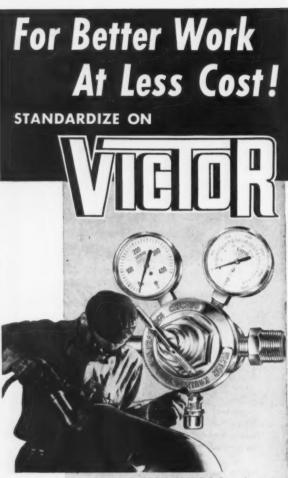
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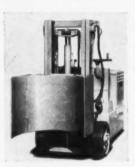
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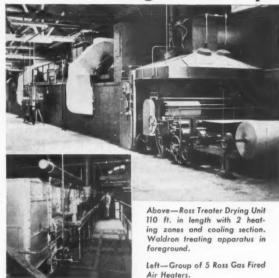
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50 Hardboard and plywood joined for paneling

Building industry finds new material in Kalabord, product of *Columbia Plywood Co*. Board is made by gluing one piece of hardboard to one side of plywood, making, in one operation, a three-ply board. It is then run through a planer or grooving machine which striates hardboard side. Kalaboard is exceptionally hard and will not dent easily. It will not check or sliver, according to Columbia Plywood, and takes well to paint or can be left in its own natural color.

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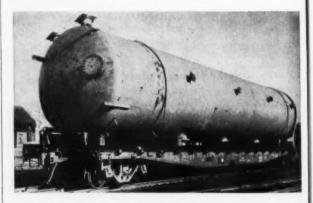


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or around valve stem. Valve is opened by pressing a knob on valve stem, and closed automatically when knob is released. It has no compression packing and requires no adjustment since it is sealed by neoprene O-rings. O-rings are accessible by removing nut and lifting out valve stem. Available in two styles: Model PV for mounting on panels of any thickness to 7/16 in.,

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Industrial trailer with "long-link" couplers



A new industrial trailer with redesigned couplers, high speed casters and a reduced price is available from Lansing Co. Trailer, which is built on a welded frame, has redesigned "long link" couplers for better maneuverability and increased convenience on overhanging loads. Decks and superstructures are custom-made to meet purchaser's requirements. Two styles of casters available; one for heavy service under normal conditions and the other for extraheavy, high-speed service. High-strength iron, cast steel, molded-on rubber or phenolic resin wheels with either Hyatt-type or tapered roller bearings are optional.

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Handy sling for barrels, drums and kegs

This sling, developed by Palmer-Shile Co., is to be used

for loading and unloading trucks and general purpose handling. It will also handle drums for draining purposes. It can pick up drum or barrel from lying position and set it on end. Handles drums, barrels, kegs. Is sturdily constructed of heavy welded chain and forged grab hooks. Has 1,000-lb. capacity and weighs approximately 8½ lb.





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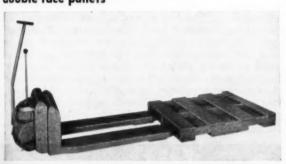


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ARIZONA

MORE OF THAT GREEN STUFF—Salt River Valley's second vacuum packing plant for lettuce is planned for Glendale. Plant is a Vacuum Cooling Co. of California Project. It is first step in a large scale project, calling for similar plants to be built in Tolleson, Yuma and Mesa, and costing more than \$1,000,000.

ST. LOUIS COMES WEST—Selb Manufacturing Co., St. Louis, Mo., will move its aircraft parts firm to Phoenix within a year, to a leased building at 2547 Jackson Street.

HOT AND COLD—Palmer Manufacturing Corp., heating and cooling firm, Phoenix, is purchased by McCray Refrigerator Co., Inc., Kendallville, Ind., for around \$2,000,000. Transaction includes Palmer plant at 2200 W. Fillmore, all equipment, patents, and designs for Palmer heaters and evaporative coolers; however, Palmer will retain ownership of its Sno-Fluff Manufacturing Co. with operations in Phoenix, Flagstaff and Lubbock, Tex., and Palmer Radiator Manufacturing Co. plant at Seventh and Jefferson. No change in policy or personnel is anticipated by McCray.

SOUTHWEST PLANS EXPANSION— Expansion of Southwest Lumber Mills operations in this state are being planned pending a stock sale to Edens-Birch Lumber Co. of Corrigan, Tex. Funds will be used, in part, for installation of new dry kilns in Flagstaff and for lumber handling and storage facilities at McNary.

CALIFORNIA

VAN NUYS GETS CONTENTED—New \$500,000 research laboratory center for Carnation Co. is being constructed at Van Nuys. The building will consist of six laboratories, a pilot plant for experimental processing of dairy and cereal foods, offices and a basement.



At the end of World War II, this was a deserted Air Force base at Chico, Calif. Today it has 19 industrial tenants, and is a rapidly-expanding asset to Northern California.

Almond By-Products Co., Chico, leases from City of Chico a 10,400 sq. ft. building plus about one-half acre of concrete apron at the Chico Municipal Airport Industrial area. Operations formerly carried on at the in-town Chico location will be moved and considerably expanded at the airport, with addition of more employees and equipment. Peak production will use 30 employees. Business is the processing of almond hulls into cattle feed.

Victor Industries Corp., manufacturer of pharmaceutical tubes (toothpaste, shaving cream, etc.) leases a 20,000 ag. ft. building in the industrial area of Chico Municipal Airport area. This is in addition to the three buildings in the Airport Industrial area now occupied by Victor. Latest acquisition will be used as a machine shop for Victor's own business, plus outside machine work when scheduling allows. Jack Porterfield is general manager.

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NEW PLANT FOR BECKMAN — A 200,000 sq. ft. expandable design plant for Beckman Instruments, Inc. of South Pasadena, will be built on a recently acquired 45 acre site in the La Habra-Fullerton area.

REDWOOD MILL SOLD — Tom Dimmick, James Hoonan and Sam Anderson purchase Redwood Hiway Lumber Co., three miles north of Piercy, will commence operations very soon.

DAYTON BUYS LATEX FIRM — All outstanding stock of American Latex Products Corp., Los Angeles, will be acquired by The Dayton Rubber Co., subject to satisfactory completion of audits now in progress.

LONGREN BUILDS—Longren Aircraft Co., Torrance, doubles facilities by building a complete new factory alongside its present one.

ZERO ADDS—New addition to Zero Manufacturing Co. at 1121 Chestnut St., Burbank, will connect main plant with warehouse facilities. Increased space will mean additional shearing facilities demanded by company's increased orders for electronic and metal parts, specialized aluminum cases, deep drawn boxes and thread racks.

WEST GETS AUTOMATIC LOADING PLANT FOR AEROSOL — A custom loading plant, Par Industries, Inc., equipped to handle over 8,000,000 cans of aerosol per year, is established at 2193 E. 14th St., Los Angeles.

STOCKTON GETS SALTY—U. S. Navy awards contract for construction of eight 60-ton floating cranes to Guntert & Zimmerman Construction Div., Inc., Stockton. Cost is estimated at \$3,960,000.

SYLVANIA AT MOUNTAIN VIEW— San Jose County Planning Commission issues permit to Sylvania Electric Products, Inc. to build \$450,000 industrial plant and research laboratory near Mountain View.

NEW HOUSE FOR MOREHOUSE — Morehouse Industries, Los Angeles manufacturer of high speed stone mills for food and chemical processing, commence a new building adjacent to present headquarters plant.

NEW SHOES—Ted Saval Shoe Manufacturing Co., Los Angeles, is acquired by General Shoe Corp. New division, known as Ted Saval, Inc., produces 500 to 600 pairs of shoes a day in a 17,000 sq. ft. factory.

SUNNYVALE IS SITE—Illumitronic Engineering Co., manufacturer and developer of electro-mechanical devices and processes builds a new plant at 680 E. Taylor St., Sunnyvale, Calif.

TYSON CHROME DEVELOPING—Development work at Tyson chrome mine in French Hill area is progressing.

ANOTHER MILL FOR HUMBOLDT— Soon to be in operation near Humboldt Bay, will be a planing mill and dry kiln, owned by Los Angeles financial interest. A production of 200,000 board ft. of lumber a week is anticipated.

AMMONIA FIRM FORMS—Ammonia Chemical Corp. of Calif. is a newly-incorporated firm, with intention to construct a plant on a 25-acre site now under option at Oleander (near Fresno), and produce 100 tons of synthetic anhydrous ammonia per day. Plant construction is expected to start late this year: completion and first production of ammonia is scheduled for early 1954.

PULLMAN FURNITURE — Pullman Couch Co. of Calif., Inc., wholly-owned subsidiary of the Pullman Couch Co. of Illinois, leases 100,000 sq. ft. of office and factory space at 6351 S. Regent St. in Huntington Park to manufacture the complete Pullman line of living room upholstered furniture and dual-purpose sleepers. Los Angeles plant, third in the Pullman Couch chain, will serve furniture dealers in the Western states. This marks the first time the Pullman line will be manufactured on the West Coast.

BALL MILL AIDS MINING—Sarita Milling Co., after adding a ball mill to its reduction plant, is now working at capacity at its Masonic district gold mine. Company operates Chemung and Sarita properties in Masonic area. Approximately 100,000 tons of milling grade ore are thought to be contained at Sarita operations. Ore is mined by power shovel in an open pit.

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HOLMES-DOUGLAS MILL BURNS—A flash fire August 21 destroys the Holmes-Douglas mill directly east of Humboldt Plywood mill on Arcata-Blue Lake road. Mill was valued at \$85,000.

CHEMICAL FIRM CONSOLIDATES—Hawxhurst & Co., Inc., raw chemical brokerage firm, consolidates all of its Bay Area activities in a \$200,000 plant at Second and Gilman streets, Berkeley. Company formerly had its head offices in San Francisco utilizing warehouses throughout the area. Berkeley plant, formerly occupied by the General Petroleum Co., is completely rehabilitated. It covers 45,000 sq. ft. and has extensive special equipment to serve paint, varnish, petroleum, rubber, soap and disinfectant industries, and the exporting feld.

PLYWOOD CO. PURCHASED AT CALPELLA—Durable Plywood Co., Arcata, purchases Coast Plywood Manufacturing Co., Calpella, Calif. No changes in plant or product are planned. Elmer Hall is local manager.

MACHINE CO. SELLS AT ALHAMBRA
—Milford Rivet & Machine Co. of Milford, Conn., purchases Pacific Rivet &
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OIL FIRM LEASES ACREAGE—Shell Oil Co. signs 20-year lease for oil and gas exploration on 922 acres of land in southeast Sutter County from Sacramento and San Joaquin Drainage District.

4th FACTORY FOR PASTUSHIN AVI-ATION—To provide additional facilities for production of jettisonable fuel tanks being manufactured for U. S. Air Force, Pastushin Aviation Corp., Los Angeles, acquires a new factory building at 5300 W. Century Blvd.

PG&E TUNNEL CONTRACT AWARD-ED—Contract is awarded to Walsh Construction Co. for construction of a multimillion dollar tunnel to divert water from Pit river to PG&E's proposed Pit 4 Powerhouse. It will be four miles long, 19 ft. in diameter and concrete-lined.

STANDARD OIL PLANS CRACKING UNIT—Standard Oil Co. of California plans to build a new catalytic cracking unit at its El Segundo refinery, to cost over \$20,000,000. Facility will have 36,000 barrel daily capacity.

NEW PIPE LINE—Petroleum Administration for Defense grants approval for West Coast Pipe Line Co., Dallas, to construct a 24-in. crude oil pipeline, 953 miles long, between Wink, Tex., and Norwalk, Calif., with a daily capacity of 100,000 barrels. Line will permit deliveries to a proposed oil refinery at Florence, Ariz. and to El Paso Tex. refineries, as well as those in California.

GRAIN STOCKING ELEVATOR FOR STOCKTON—Miller Malting Co. of Los Angeles will build a \$2,000,000 grain elevator on a 30 acre site east of Port of Stockton. First unit will have a one million bushel capacity with a potential later construction up to three million bushels.

DIAMOND MATCHES PLANS AT RED BLUFF—Diamond Match Co. receives a certificate of necessity from National Production Authority for rapid tax amortization of a \$3,509,385 defenseconnected lumber project at Manton, near Red Bluff.

NPA MAKES ALLOTMENTS—National Production Authority makes supplemental allotments of materials to following California firms: General Motors auto assembly plant at South Gate, \$2,272,167 worth of materials; Hughes Aircraft Co., Culver City, four projects for aircraft and guided missiles, estimated costs aggregating \$1,022,000; Rohr Aircraft Corp., Chula Vista, \$177,000 for aircraft production.

METAL STAMPINGS FIRM BOUGHT BY McCULLOCH MOTORS — McCulloch Motors Corp., Los Angeles, purchases Exacto Manufacturing Co., 827 W. Olive St., Inglewood, principal makers of metal stamping for McCulloch's

HYCON CONTRACTS—Hycon Manufacturing Co., Pasadena, receives from U. S. Government \$10,000,000 contracts and letter of intent for aerial photographic reconnaissance equipment, guided missile, electronic equipment and rockets.

CARBIDE AND CARBON CHEMICALS
CO. EXPANDS — New \$36,000,000
polyethylene and ethylene glycol plant
of Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Co.
will be located in Torrance on a 140acre piece of land purchased from General Petroleum Corp. Site is immediately
adjacent to General Petroleum's Torrance refinery which will, by a 20-year
contract, supply Carbide and Carbon
Chemicals Co. with raw materials. Plant
is being designed to produce from 50 to
60 million lbs. of polyethylene and from
5 to 10 million gallons of ethylene glycol
yearly.

AIR FORCE CONTRACT FOR PA-CIFIC AIRMOTIVE — Approximately 100 C-54's will be reconditioned at Pacific Airmotive Corp.'s Chino, Calif. base under terms of a new Air Force Letter Contract awarded to PAC. Contract's approximate dollar value amounts to \$2,800,000.

SOLAR SHIPS POWER PLANT—Solar Aircraft Co., San Diego, ships its first gas turbine-driven auxiliary power plant



Wright Field, Ohio. It incorporates 60 lb. Mars turbine engine which produces over 45 horsepower.

NEW HOME OF AIRESEARCH ENGI-NEERING-Engineering department of AiResearch Manufacturing Co. moves to enlarged quarters in a new building at 9225 Aviation Boulevard, Los Angeles.



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CONNOR SPRING MANUFACTURING CO. PLANT-San Francisco plant and general offices of Connor Spring Manufacturing Co. move to new building at 75 Fourteenth St.

U. S. STEEL CONTRACT TO RE-STORE PLANT AT PITTSBURG—Con-tract between Columbia-Geneva Steel division of United States Steel and U. S. Government provides for restoration and rearrangement of Government's defense plant foundry located at Pittsburg. Plant equipment worth approximately \$9,-500,000 will be installed to provide for production of armor steel hull castings for U. S. Army's tank program.

MARCHANT ENTERS ELECTRONICS FIELD-Marchant Calculators, Inc., actively enters electronics field by acquisition of a controlling interest in Physical Research Laboratories, Inc. of Pasadena, developer and maker of electronic computers and components. Laboratories are renamed Marchant Research, Inc. and all activities are now in Oakland.

DAVIS ELECTRONICS MOVES-Davis Electronics, manufacturer of television antenna, moves from former location at 3047 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, to new quarters at 4313 W. Magnolia Blvd., Burbank.

QUICKSILVER MINE GETS LOAN-Defense Minerals Exploration Administration agrees to advance three quarters cost of an exploration project at New Idria Mining & Chemical Co.'s New Idria quicksilver mine in San Benito County.

ESTON SELLS TO AMERICAN POT-ASH—American Potash & Chemical Corp., acquires Eston Chemicals, Inc., Los Angeles, maker of agricultural chemicals, refrigerants, aerosols and industrial chemicals. Eston Chemicals will be operated as Eston Chemicals division of American Potash.

PELLETIZED FERTILIZER PROCESS SOUGHT AND BOUGHT — Stauffer Chemical Co. acquires American rights from Rumianca, Societa per Aziona, Turin, Italy, to a method of making fertilizer in pelletized form. Other producers may obtain and use process under sub-licensing agreements.



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BEER NEAR FOR LOS ANGELES-Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co. of Milwau-kee, Wis., plans to build a \$20,000,000 brewery in vicinity of Van Nuys, San Fernando Valley. Construction of a onemillion-barrel-annual-capacity plant will be started before year's end.

HELLER CO. PLANS L. A. PLANT-Heller Co., maker of Industrial staplers, will build a 100,000 sq. ft. plant in area of Los Angeles as soon as a site can be located.

SIGNAL DEPOT WORKER DEVELOPS MONEY SAVER CLUE - John F. Smpardos of Sacramento Signal Depot develops a new cement which may save government spending by millions of dollars annually. New cement successfully reseals bakelite base of radio tube to glass envelope when the two sections are separated.

GERHARDT CO. STARTS UP AGAIN —George T. Gerhardt Co., Inc., metals fabricator, sells its San Francisco plant and will resume operation Oct. 15 in Sausalito.

FURNITURE CO. CHANGES NAME-Firm formerly known as General Wood Products changes name to C & S Furniture Co. New housing for company activities is being completed at 385 Preda St., San Leandro.

SHAMBAN CO. SHIFTS PLANT—W. S. Shamban & Co. moves plant from Vernon, Calif. to Culver City. Production facilities are tripled and number of employees doubled. Manufacture molded and fabricated fluoroplastic parts is already started.

FILTROL WILL BREAK GROUND FOR PLANT—Filtrol Corp. plans to start construction of a \$5,000,000 plant about 1½ blocks from company's present Vernon facility in late Oct. Plant will manufacture alumina and ammonium sulfate using a by-product, acidic liquor, from present Vernon operations.

DURABLE PLYWOOD BUYS UKIAH MILL — Stockholders of Durable Plywood Co. purchase Coast Plywood mill at Calpella, five miles north of Ukiah.

RICHFIELD TO EXPAND BEACH OPERATIONS—Richfield Oil Corp. plans an estimated \$39,489,000 expansion project at its Watson refinery near Long Beach. Work is to include a new fluid catalytic cracking unit with a capacity larger than any similar unit on West Coast.

CARRIER WILL PULL INTO S. F .-Carrier Bon Homme Richard, Essex class, will be brought into Hunters Point in January for a conversion job esti-mated at \$62,000,000 and two years' time for completion.

FORD ASSEMBLY AT RICHMOND TO DOUBLE — Ford Motor Co. is going ahead with plans to double its Richmond assembly plant's capacity. Project should be completed within a year. Production capacity will jump from 225 to 500 cars finished daily.

RYAN FIELD LEASED FOR INDUSTRY American Pipe & Steel Co. of Alhambra leases county-owned Ryan Airport property outside Hemet city limits as site for a branch plant to produce military aircraft fuel tanks and a new type mine casing for naval use under two defense contracts.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TO GET BREWERY - Anheuser-Busch plans construction of a \$45,000,000 brewery at Van Nuys in an area bound-ed by Roscoe Blvd., Woodley and Has-kell Avenues, and Southern Pacific tracks.

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HOFFMAN LABS EXPAND-Hoffman Laboratories, Inc., division of Hoffman Radio Corp., 3761 S. Hill St., Los An-Radio Corp., geles, is adding to its facilities so that more electronic equipment may be manufactured.

JOHNS-MANVILLE CORP. TO IN-CREASE PRODUCTION - Johns-Manville Corp. will expand manufacture of insulation products in new plant facili-ties at 223rd and Alameda Avenue, Wilmington.

HYDRAULIC UNITS - Langley Corp. of San Diego will construct, this fall, a new 45,000 sq. ft. \$300,000 plant on corner of Euclid and Market Streets where hydraulic units for Boeing and Lockheed will be manufactured.

NEW TYPE BOATS-Narmco Manufacturing Co., San Diego, is entering field of boat manufacturing with plans to produce a fiberglas craft.

MILL INSTALLS OPEN-HEARTH FUR-NACE-Pacific State Steel Corp. mill at Niles puts into production a third openhearth furnace to boost steel-making capacity by 70,000 tons a year.

RHEEM MOVES EQUIPMENT--Rheem Manufacturing Co. moves its furnacemaking equipment from former plant in Stockton to two new buildings providing 30,000 sq. ft. of space for firm in

NEW SAWMILL AT CRESCENT CITY —A new mill, built by Castle Sawmills, Inc., at Crescent City, will produce 200,000 ft. of lumber per shift.

FOSTER & KLEISER TO CHANGE HANDS—W. R. Grace & Co., international business concern, is working on acquiring ownership of Foster & Kleiser Co., Western outdoor advertising firm.

PG&E FIRE-A concentration of cleaning solvent vapors is blamed for a fire razing Pacific Gas & Electric Co. truck storage garage in San Jose and causing an estimated \$300,000 worth of damage.

CALPACK GOES FOR SARDINES-Calpack, San Francisco packing firm, purchases former San Carlos Canning Co. property at Oxnard.

MILL CONSTRUCTION PLANNED Lucas Brothers of Sutherlin, Ore. plan construction of a 40 x 168 ft. steel and concrete mill and a million ft. log pond three miles south of Piercy, Calif.

RACING CARS COME TO SAN LEAN-DRO-Jack C. Hagemann purchases a lot 140 ft. x 37½ ft. in Lebrun Tract on Timothy St., San Leandro, as site for a 30 ft. x 55 ft. building to house faciliforeign and racing car bodies. In addition, aircraft metal work will be produced.

EASTSIDE DISTRIBUTORS BUILD-M. Ferreira of Eastside Distributors, 720 Williams St., San Leandro, will build additional warehouse space at rear of existing building recently leased to Roddiscraft.

LEMON CO. PROVES NO LEMON—A \$2,000,000 expansion for Exchange Lemon Products Co. plant at Corona will double capacity and necessitate employment of 50% more workers.

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HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTS—Fairmont Hospital is building an \$800,000 powerhouse and shop building at 15400 Foothill Blvd., San Leandro.

BRODIE CO. RE-LOCATES—Ralph E. Brodie Co., Inc., manufacturer of gas and oil meters, moves into new plant and offices at Alvarado and W. 137th Ave., San Leandro. Firm was formerly located in Oakland.

BM&T EXPANDS — Blake, Moffitt & Towne, Pacific Coast paper distributor, purchases Corcoran Paper Co. of Long Beach and Santa Ana. Direction over expanded operations is assumed by Long Beach manager, Millard J. Hines.

NAVAL "LAB" EXPANSION — This fiscal year, a sum of \$98,000 will be used in an expansion program for San Diego's Navy Electronics Laboratory which will increase production and research and give additional protection to equipment worth millions of dollars.

COLORADO

MORE MOLYBDENUM — Climax Molybdenum Co. plans to mine 17,000,000 tons of low grade molybdenum ore in Lake County following approval for federal support of the project. Firm agrees to spend \$9,500,000 in molybdenum mining operations which are so difficult to operate that mines would be abandoned without government support.

WORK RESUMED ON SEAMLESS PIPE MILL.—Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp. resumes work (suspended during steel strike) on its seamless pipe mill under construction at Pueblo.

SUB-ZERO WAREHOUSE FOR DEN-VER—Beatrice Foods Co. plans immediate construction of a sub-zero single storage refrigerated warehouse in Denver. D. H. Murphy is manager of Beatrice's Denver warehousing operations.

NEW NEWS AT HYMAN PLANT—Shell Chemical Corp., now owner of Julius Hyman & Co., will centralize all of its agricultural chemical activity in Denver. New organization is to be known as Julius Hyman & Co. division of Shell Chemical Corp., and will market insecticides, aldrin, dieldrin, soil fumigants and spray oils.

NEWSPRINT NEWS—Columbine Pulp and Paper, Inc. is formed by Colorado publishers to build a newsprint mill between Grand Junction and Glenwood Springs.

IDAHO

AEC AIRCRAFT TESTING PROJECT IN VIEW—Construction of facilities for eventual development of atomic powered aircraft at National Reactor Testing Station in Idaho is authorized by U.S. Atomic Energy Commission. Project will cost an estimated \$33,000,000.

SMELTER SHUT-DOWN - Bradley

Mining Co.'s smelter at Stibnite, Idaho, shuts down except for a 20-man maintenance crew. Closure is due to price reduction of this metal from 50 to 25 cents per lb.

SULPHURIC PLANT STARTED—Sullivan Mining Co. of Kellogg, commences work on its 250-ton-per-day sulphuric acid plant in Coeur d'Alene district. Already, firm anticipates expansion of original plans.

MONTANA

FLOUR MILL EXPANSION PRO-POSED — Montana Flour Mills Co., Great Falls, plans a \$100,000 expansion and improvement program at Ceretana Feed plant, Bozeman. Plant will remain in operation during 10 to 12 months involved in the extensive modernization project.

INDUSTRIAL AREA OPENS—Work on Glendive's industrial section, lying east of city, is being finished complete with two newly laid spur tracks. Shortly, firms supplying oil business needs will start operations here: W. H. Connors Co., oil well supply; Maloney-Crawford, Tank and Maintenance Co.; Jones & Laughlin Supply Co.; Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Co.; Dowell, Inc.; B. J. Service Gas and Tank Oil Specialty Co.; Volne & Waite Company; and Guelff Company.



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HASTA BE SHASTA—Colorado River Commission contracts with Bureau of Reclamation for up to 90,000 kilowatts of Shasta Dam power for Nevada to be absorbed during next two years.

POWER PLANT SUSPENDED—Construction of half-completed \$3,000,000 Hercules Powder Co. plant at Henderson is indefinitely suspended.

NEW MEXICO

MAKING TRACKS—Santa Fe Railway plans a \$1,500,000 expansion of its Belen yards. Work will commence upon approval by NPA. Capacity of yards will be increased by 20%.

REA BUYS POWER PLANT SITE— Rural Electrification Administration purchases 47 acres six miles north of Algodones for a multi-million dollar power plant.

HELIUM PLANT IS REACTIVATED— Navajo helium plant at Shiprock is being reactivated by U. S. Bureau of Mines for continuous day and night operation. Plant will provide employment for about 75 civil service workers when in full operation.

SULPHUR PLANT FOR FARMINGTON—Plans are completed for building a \$500,000 plant to produce block sulphur from waste gas at El Paso Natural Gas Co.'s San Juan processing plant. Plant, to produce 70 tons of sulphur daily, will be third largest in United States for recovery of sulphur from natural gas. A pilot plant has already been installed.

NEW BUSINESS—Morris Steel and Supply Co. opens for business at 701 Coal-Ave. S. E. in Albuquerque. Firm, headed by LeRoy Morris, specializes in steel and all kinds of metals, oil well supplies, pipe, etc.

OREGON

TIMBER FOR TOLEDO—A limited plywood plant for Toledo is planned by Georgia-Pacific Plywood Co. New operation will be located next to C. D. Johnson Lumber Corp., which Georgia-Pacific purchased last year.

SMELTER ENCOURAGED — Springfield city council agrees to spend \$10,000 for a subsidy to encourage Apex Smelting Co., Chicago, to establish an aluminum reduction smelter there.

PIPED TO BEDFORD — Newly organized California-Oregon Pipeline Co. is granted a permit to lay a 103-mile oil pipeline from Crescent City, Calif. to Medford. Cost of this six-in. carrier will be about \$2,500,000 and will have a daily capacity of 7,000 barrels with one pumping station. Permit calls for a fast tax write-off plan.

BIGGER PLANS FOR IRON FIREMAN
—Iron Fireman Manufacturing Co.

plans on a 75% enlargement of its Portland heating control division.

DIAMOND LUMBER BUYS MILL—Ford & Ford Lumber Co., Portland remanufacturing firm, is purchased by Diamond Lumber Co. Diamond will buy lumber outside of Portland and finish it at new mill.

C & L LUMBER BUILDS MILL—Prineville Machine & Supply Co. is building a new sawmill on U. S. highway 26 between John Day and Prairie City for C & L Lumber Co. With a minimum amount of labor, mill will be able to turn out between 50,000 and 60,000 board ft. of pine lumber per day.

WAREHOUSE FOR GATES—Gates Rubber Co. commences building a warehouse and office building at N. W. 30th Ave., Portland.

FIBER PLANT—Construction is under way on a \$5,000,000 wood fiber plant at Pilot Rock to be known as Oregon Fibre Products, Inc. It will reclaim waste from Pilot Rock Lumber Co. and Kern Co. of Oregon, Ltd., in production of soft and hard-board products. Plant's potential manufacturing capacity is 90,000,000 sq. ft. per year or 300,000 sq. ft. daily.

GAS TURBINE EXPERIMENT — Oregon Forest Products Laboratory will install an experimental sawdust-fed gas turbine worth \$100,000 in a sawmill near Corvallis within ten months. Generally wasted sawdust will be used as power source. Heat exhausted by turbine will be employed in drying lumber in kilns.

AMC PLANT STARTS UP—American Metallic Chemicals Co. starts production of electrolytic manganese dioxide at its new Portland installation. Plant processes imported ores exclusively and produces a battery grade oxide. Company hopes to double its production from 10,000 lb. to 20,000 lb. daily. Firm has further plans to branch out into production of sodium perborate, a bleaching agent used in soaps and detergents, and becoming one of two manufacturers of this chemical in the country. Raw materials would come from California and Portland vicinity. If plans are carried out, production of sodium perborate will begin in August, 1953.

PEELER MILL—A plywood peeler mill at Glendale, Ore., is being built by Multnomah Plywood Co. of Portland. When completed, mill, a single lathe operation equipped with Coe machinery, will employ 40 men. It will process lumber from Multnomah Plywood's timber-lands and from The Robert Dollar Lumber Co. mill at Glendale.

UTAH

SAN PLAN—The San Equip, Inc., Syracuse, N. Y., manufacturer of sanitary equipment, buys a site on South Second West St., Salt Lake City, and plans to erect a plant there.

NEW PLANT FOR GARFIELD—American Smelting and Refining Co.; Garfield Chemical and Manufacturing Co., affiliate of Kennecott Copper Corp.; and Stauffer Chemical Co. will build a

\$5,000,000 phosphate fertilizer plant at Garfield. New plant will produce more than 60,000 tons of concentrated phosphate fertilizers a year, and phosphoric acid used in making superphosphates will be produced by "wet" or "leach" acid process. New operation will be located on a 600 acre site near AS and R smelter. Approximately 75 men will be employed. This plant should not be confused with one proposed for Garfield by Missouri Farmers Assn. which has been cancelled.

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a 52 WASATCH CHEMICAL EXPANDS—Wasatch Chemical Co. starts a \$100,000 expansion program in order to handle an additional 10,000 tons of ammonium sulphate annually from Howe Sound Co., Garfield, and from Columbia Geneva Steel division, U. S. Steel Corp. Firm is presently building an 8,000 sq. ft. mixing and batch house.

CARBON DIOXIDE PROJECT — Carbon Dioxide and Chemical Co., affiliate of Fulton Petroleum Corp., is presently engaged in a CO-2 expansion program. A \$65,000 warehouse and offices will be constructed at 648 S. Ist West, Salt Lake City.

PIPE LINE LAID—Salt Lake Pipe Line Co., a subsidiary of Standard Oil Co. of California, awards contracts for construction of its eight million dollar, 330-mile oil products pipe line running from Salt Lake City to Boise, Idaho. First portion of eight-inch line, from Salt Lake City to Juniper, Idaho, will be built by Macco Corp. of Southern California. Engineers Ltd. Pipe Line Co. of San Francisco will build remaining 200 miles to Boise.

FURNACE OILS INCREASED — Salt Lake Refining Co., a Standard Oil Co. of Calif. subsidiary, makes a \$350,000 furnace oils. Gas-oil conversion facility will produce high grade furnace oil at rate of 2,000 bbls. daily. Product will be sent to Northwest via Salt Lake Pipe Line's petroleum products transmission facility.

ORE-SAMPLING PLANT TO COME—Atomic Energy Commission will establish an ore-sampling and buying facility near Greenriver to stimulate production of uranium ores in southeastern part of state. New plant will have 200-ton ore sampling capacity per day.

WASHINGTON

STANDARD GOES SNOHOMISH— Standard Oil Co. of Calif. buys 2,000 acres of land in Snohomish County for possible future use as a refinery site. Purchase price is \$900,000.

SKAGIT STEEL GETS NAVY CONTRACT—Skagit Steel & Iron Works, Sedro-Woolley, is awarded \$1,250,000 in navy contracts to supply hoisting winches to Bureau of Yards and Docks, Port Hueneme, Calif.

CAR CONTRACT AWARDED—Bangor & Aroostook Railroad awards a contract for 250 refrigerator cars and 250 insulated cars, equipped with heaters, to Pacific Car & Foundry Co., Seattle.

PIPELINE PLANS FOR NORTHWEST—Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corp. files application with Federal Power Commission for building a \$120,000,000 natural gas pipeline from New Mexico-Colorado region to Pacific Northwest. Plus pipeline cost, over-all project requires \$15,000,000 for a gathering system and \$40,000,000 for a well drilling program. Major source of natural gas supply will come from San Juan basin field in Four Corners area (New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Colorado).

BUILDINGS FOR BOEING—Boeing Airplane Co., Seattle, will start construction of two large buildings for company use in maintenance, transportation, and material preparation. Air Force will finance both construction and site of buildings. They will lie north of firm's Plant No. 2 in Seattle.

CONCENTRATING PLANT AT TO-NASKET NEARS COMPLETION— Within three months, a 500-ton concentrating plant will commence operations on gold, silver, lead and zinc ore at Silver Mountain Mining Co. property west of Tonasket. Mill will have an initial 250ton daily capacity eventually to be built up to 500 tons.

VANILLIN PLANTS LINKED — Monsanto Chemical Co.'s new plant at Seattle and its St. Louis plant are now linked in production of vanillin. Semirefined vanillin, made in Seattle is shipped to eastern plant for refining to U.S.P. product.

CRANE CO. TO CONSTRUCT—Crane Co. hopes to start construction this fall of a \$175,000 combination warehouse and office building and a pipe warehouse in Spokane.

UTAH COMES TO QUINCY—Amalgamated Sugar Co. of Ogden, Utah, buya a beet sugar factory site five miles south of Quincy in center of Columbia Basin irrigation project. Firm plans on building a plant there when area's agricultural development has progressed sufficiently to justify a new factory.

CONSTRUCTION OF SUGAR REFINERY GOING FULL TILT—Utah & Idaho Sugar Co. is now building a \$7,000,000 refinery three miles east of Moses Lake.

AEC PLANS FURTHER ENLARGE-MENT AT HANFORD—U. S. Atomic Energy Commission completes agreement with Kaiser Engineers, Oakland, Calif. for construction of a large part of new expansion planned for Hanford plutonium-producing project.

FELTROK SELLS OUT — American Rock Wool Co., home office Wabash, Ind., buys Feltrok Insulation & Manufacturing Co., 2301 Taylor Way, Tacoma. Installation of new equipment will change manufacturing process from blowing to spinning.

WYOMING

COKING COAL PLANT IN OFFING—A \$126,000,000 coking coal plant is proposed for Kemmerer to provide coking coal for Yolo Steel & Metal Co. of Sacramento, Calif. Contracts have been signed with Kemmerer Coal Co. for this purpose.

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WESTERNERS AT WORK

Arizona

Arizona Public Service Co., formed by merger of Central Arizona Light and Power Co. and Arizona Edison Co., makes the following appointments: George H. Groh, vice president in charge of operating and engineering; J. L. LIECTY, treasurer and assistant secretary; F. T. FAHLEN, JR., vice president and manager of Valley Division; W. P. Reilly, vice president and manager of State Division; William Ismay, personnel manager; R. T. Richards, general superintendent; and E. M. JORGENSEN, superintendent, System Gas; Don Willis, general sales manager.

California

GEORGE BOYLE, formerly head of a manufacturing concern in Los Angeles, joins Narmco Manufacturing Co., San Diego, to take charge of the polyester division.

JOHN H. TYSON, becomes president, San Francisco Lumber Co., succeeding JAMES Tyson, Jr., deceased. Other new officers include Rex Clark, executive vice president and Mrs. James Tyson, Jr., vice president.

WILLIAM L. KEADY, former president of U. S. Gypsum Co. and the Marathon Paper Co., is elected president of Pabco Products, CHARLES P. EVANS, former assistant plant manager of Firestone Tire and Rubber Co., Noblesville, Ind., joins Arrowhead Rubber Co. as works manager at its Downey plant.

Pacific International Products, Inc., names GEORGE R. POSTLEWAIT as vice president.





Postlewait

WILLIAM T. Box is promoted to position of executive assistant on general office staff of BJ Service, Inc. Box has been employed by Byron Jackson Co. for about 12 years, and has been in charge of research and development work on the jet process of oilwell perforating during the last three years.

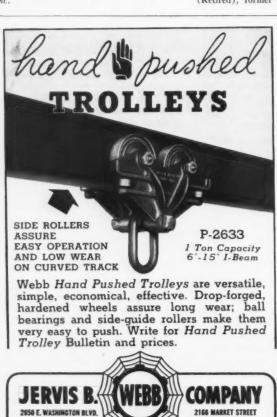
REAR ADMIRAL WILDER D. BAKER, USN (Retired), former Commandant, Eleventh Naval District, joins Solar Aircraft Co. as a consultant to the president. NORMAN PINT-CHUK comes to Solar from International Harvester Co., Chicago, as foundry metallurgist in the firm's stainless steel foundry.

H. DARWIN KIRSCHMAN, PHD., California Institute of Technology (1929), joins technical staff of *Truesdail Laboratories*, *Inc.* of Los Angeles as a research chemist. He is a former chemistry lecturer at University of California at Los Angeles.

Standard Oil Co. of Calif. promotes KEN-NETH H. SHAFFER to vice president of The California Co., a subsidiary. C. W. Gibbs, manager of Standard's producing depart-ment's northern district, succeeds Shaffer as assistant general manager of the producing department. W. A. EARDLEY, chief petroleum engineer, will take over Gibbs' former post in Taft, Calif.

PAUL G. DUNMIRE, assistant factory superintendent and research engineer, Fairbanks-Morse Co., joins Smith-Blair, Inc., South San Francisco, as industrial engineer.

CHARLES F. BANNAN, vice president of Western Gear Works and Pacific Gear & Tool Works, is appointed industry specialist to gear and drive section of Mechanical Transmission Branch of the National Production Authority.



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Frank Harkins, chief welding engineer, Solar Aircraft Co., San Diego, demonstrates a buttwelder built by Solar to Francis H. Stevenson (center), welding engineer of Aerojet Engineering Corp., and Bernard Gross, director of laboratories at Rohr Aircraft Corp. These two visitors were among 100 Southern California welding engineers, members of the Aircraft and Rocketry Panel of American Welding Society, who toured Solar to inspect that company's extensive welding facilities.

Kaiser Gypsum Co. promotes George Quist to post of assistant to vice president and general manager. He was assistant manager of Gypsum Carrier, Inc., a subsidiary, prior to this advance.

New Manager of Purchases for Soulé Steel Co., San Francisco, is George S. Ford.

HAROLD HAVES, dean of engineering at California State Polytechnic College is appointed to national committee of American Society of Refrigerating Engineers.

T. J. Wade succeeds P. D. Degnan as personnel manager at Western Waxed Paper Co., San Leandro. Degnan has taken on new duties with Crown Zellerback Corp., the parent company.

Crown Cork & Seal Co., San Francisco, names Don Penzotti as personnel manager. Penzotti was formerly personnel manager at Soulé Steel Co.

New vice president in charge of industrial relations for *Union Oil Co. of Calif.* is W. C. STEVENSON, former assistant executive vice president for industrial relations.

Pioneer Rubber Mills, Pittsburg, names EDWARD M. BALL as manager of industrial relations.



M. EARL McCLENDON succeeds J. H. DORAN as manager of industrial relations at California Packing Corp.'s California Canned Foods Division.

C. R. Hogrefe promoted from mill superintendent for San Joaquin Cotton Oil Co., Bakersfield, to general mill superintendent at Los Angeles, with jurisdiction over Bakersfield, Chowchilla, Phoenix and Mexicali plants. Carl Sterrer upped from assistant superintendent to superintendent at Bakersfield.

Del-Air Products, Culver City, names JOSEPH F. ORSINI as assistant to general manager of its customer relations department. In this new capacity Orsini will help set up a new tooling program for Del-Air. Before joining the firm, he was purchasing agent and assistant to plant superintendent at Aircraft Hydroforming, Inc., Hawthorne.





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Thomas J. Moher, former works accountant for Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp.'s West Coast Shipyards, is advanced to assistant to comptroller, Shipbuilding Division. F. M. Knott, chief clerk for San Francisco yard, becomes works accountant for West Coast Yards. L. A. Bettencourt, assistant to works accountant, succeeds Knott.

W. HARLOW WAGGONER, Santa Clara Packing Co., San Jose, is elected president and general manager, succeeding NORMAN L. WAGGONER, deceased.

P. S. WILLARD, superintendent of process and production divisions at *Procter & Gamble Co.'s* Ivorydale, Ohio plant, will be superintendent of company's new plant at Fruitridge and Power Inn Roads, Sacramento.

JOHN XITCO is named manager of French Sardine Co.'s subsidiary. High Seas Tuna Packing Co., San Diego. Xitco, formerly plant superintendent, succeeds Donald Loker who is transferred to French's Terminal Island plant for an administrative post.

JOSEPH M. TRICKETT is appointed to newly created position of associate director of management education study, American Management Association. EDWARD J. KELLY succeeds Trickett as dean of school of management at Golden Gate College, San Francisco.

Dalmo Victor Co., San Carlos, names Albert F. Schwarz as financial vice president. Schwarz was assistant treasurer and controller of California Wine Association before this appointment. E. L. WICKERSHAM joins Dalmo Victor as supervisor of its new machine accounting department.

A. H. BLOUNT, former assistant to president, *Tea Garden Products Co.*, San Leandro, assumes post of general manager, W. L. STUTTAFORD, vice president and general sales manager resigns.

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Consolidated Freightways ups O. C. BENNETT to position of secretary-treasurer. He has been assistant to the president since 1938, and was elected secretary of the firm in 1950.

Pacific Airmotive Corp., Burbank, makes the following personnel appointments: RICHARD M. ROBINSON, purchasing agent; J. E. GILMORP, safety engineer; LEONARD J. PLATT, wage and salary administrator; and CHARLES E. TEMPLE, assistant contract administrator.

George Chalmers is promoted to executive assistant to head of Northrop Aircraft, Inc.'s Special Weapons division. He was staff assistant and assistant administration director, prior to his new appointment. Robert B. Weaver is appointed assistant director of missile development.

Colorado

SAMUEL S. AUCHINCLOSS, director of operations at American Machine & Foundry Co.'s Colorado Springs plant, is upped to executive vice president of DeWalt, Inc., subsidiary of American Machine & Foundry Co., Lancaster, Pa.

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Gelbert C. Hoover, retired Navy rear admiral, is named field supervisor of Atomic Energy Commission's Rocky Flats plant near Denver.

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Mountain State Telephone & Telegraph Co. names Walter K. Koch as president, Koch, who was operating vice president prior to this pomotion, succeeds FLOVD P. OGDEN. RALPH L. HELMREICH SUCCEEDS KOCh.

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Idaho

JOSEPH C. KIEFFER, Kellogg, resigns as general manager of Spokane-Idaho Mining Co. to accept position as manager of operations of American Smelting & Refining Co. in Coeur d'Alene district.

New Mexico

EDWIN D. MURRAY is new utilities engineer in Community Management Division, Los Alamos Field Office, Atomic Energy Commission. RALPH P. JOHNSON, manager of the Los Alamos Field Office, returns to Santa Fe Operations Office of Engineering and Construction as deputy director. Frank C. Diluzio, director of community management at Los Alamos, becomes Los Alamos field manager; and Paul A. Wilson, director of division of engineering and construction at Los Alamos, is new director of community management.

E. C. PHILLIPS, El Paso-New Mexico manager, becomes general manager in New Mexico for Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co. V. H. Nachtrieb is now New Mexico commercial manager.

Oregon

LEROY M. SHANAMAN, Portland, is named chief of Inorganic and Agriculture Chemicals Branch of Chemical Division of National Production Authority. Shanaman is on leave from his position as sales manager of Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Co. of Washington.

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U. S. Smelting, Refining and Mining Co. elects Richard N. Hunt as vice president. Hunt was chief geologist before this assignment.

J. B. ROSENBAUM, engineer in charge of chromium section and manganese concentrator at the electrometallurgical branch of U. S. Bureau of Mines in Boulder City, Nev., is transferred to Bureau of Mines branch in Salt Lake City.

DONALD R. JENKINS, application engineer in electric utility department of Westing-house Electric Corp.'s Salt Lake City office, is appointed manager of gas turbine application engineering section of the company's Steam Division, Philadelphia, Pa.

J. W. RIBOTTO, general mill foreman at the Arthur mill of Utak Copper Division, Kennecott Copper Corp., is named metallurgical engineer at Magna mill, succeeding C. G. WILLIAMS, retired. JOHN L. MOORE, grinding and flotation foreman, becomes general mill foreman at the Arthur mill. He is succeeded by ELMER C. SPEERS, experimental engineer at the Magna plant.

U. S. Smelting, Refining and Mining Co., Western operations, lists following promotions within ranks: R. A. PALLANCH becomes consultant on milling and metallurgy; C. A. NELSON is advanced to general superintend-

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ent of Midvale plant, including milling and smelting; Archie A. Nelson is made mill superintendent at Midvale; F. J. Marshall is named assistant smelter superintendent, and Allan C. Vaugh becomes assistant director of company's research laboratory.

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ALBERT G. NATWICK, Washougal, on leave from Crown-Zellerbach Corp., Camas, is appointed director of the Pulp, Paper and Paperboard Division of National Production Authority.

George R. Prout, vice president and general manager at General Electric Co.'s Hanford Works, is placed in charge of nucleonics and atomic products with headquarters in Schenectady, N. Y. WILFRID E. JOHNSON assistant general manager, is upped to general manager. Dennis W. Pearce replaces Carl C. Gamerisfelder as manager of Biophysics Section in Radiological Sciences Department. Dr. Pearce was assistant to the manager at the Technical Section before this promotion. Dr. Gamertsfelder is transferred to a new position with Aircraft Nuclear Propulsion Division of the company at Lockland, Ohio.

The Simpson Logging Co., Shelton, names PAT REITEN as general safety supervisor for its Washington and California plants. Reiten was formerly chief of safety education for State Department of Labor.

Douglas Fir Plywood Association, Tacoma, names W. E. DIFFORD, Seattle, as managing director. Difford is owner of plywood and lumber sales and market development company at Seattle, known as W. E. Diford & Sons, Inc.



J. M. White (right) president Long-Bell Lumber Co., Longview, Wash., addresses Northwest Engineering Centennial held at Portland, Ore., August 9, 1952, on "Engineering Helpfulness for Forest Product Industries." Fred O. McMillan (left) national president of American Institute of Electrical Engineers and head of Electrical Engineering Dept., Oregon State College, was moderator for session.



Wilfrid E. Johnson (left), general manager, Neucleonics Division, General Electric Co., Hanford Works, Richland, Wash., addresses the noon luncheon of the Northwest Engineering Centennial, held at Portland, Ore., August 9, 1952, on "The Social and Political Impact of the Atomic Industry," Thomas R. Miles (right) Consulting Engineer, Portland, Oregon, was toastmaster.

ASSOCIATIONS ELECT

American Society of Tool Engineers, newly organized Santa Clara Valley chapter: Chairman, V. E. Diehl, inspection supervisor of U. S. Navy, Campbell; first vice chairman, W. C. Lanyon, manufacturing engineer, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Los Gatos; second vice chairman, E. F. Roskowski, tool engineer, Food Machinery and Chemical Corp., Santa Clara; secretary, G. B. Randolfh, Republic Supply Co., San Jose; treasurer, R. D. Harper, tool engineer, Hiller

Helicopter Corp., Woodside.

Newly organized San Fernando chapter: Chairman, Arthur D. Lewis, Art Lewis Production Equipment Co., Glendale; first vice chairman, Ruddle Regen, chief engineer, General Machine Works, Los Angeles; second vice chairman, Ruddle H. Powronin, Standards engineer, Lockheed Aircraft Co., Burbank; secretary, R. A. Benton, co-owner, B& M. Engineering Co., Burbank; treasurer, K. C. Kerseg, tool engineer, Enders Engineering, Pasadena.

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News about those who distribute and sell industrial equipment and materials

ROBERTSON B. CLARK, former Pacific Coast regional sales manager for Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, is transferred to St. Louis, Mo., (home office) as divisional sales manager. MAURICE F. SCHMIDT, operations manager Los Angeles warehouse and office, succeeds Clark; and R. D. Twomey, Southern California sales representative, pharmaceutical chemical sales manager in that area

M. F. Schmidt

JAMES H. FITZPATRICK, former sales engineer for BJ Service, Inc., chemical cleaning firm, is promoted to district superintendent of company's Oakland district, which provides marine and industrial chemical service to San Francisco and Oakland Bay area and northward through Oregon and Washington. Oakland office is located at 1401 Middle Harbor Road.

Pacific Metals Co., Ltd., San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego and Salt Lake City, has taken on distribution of Silvaloy brazing alloys and APW fluxes, manufactured by The American Platinum Works, Newark, N. J.

J. O. Ross Engineering Corp. opens an office at 823 Skinner Bldg., Seattle 1, Wash. K. H. Jones will be in charge of new branch and will supervise design and installation of company air systems, industrial ovens, dry-

American Wheelabrator & Equipment Corp., Mishawaka, Ind., names WALTER S. SCHAMEL as district manager at Los Angeles. He will open offices at 3155 Leonis

Lufkin Foundry and Machine Co., Lufkin, Tex., manufacturer of oil field equipment, is celebrating its 50th anniversary. Western offices and warehouse were established in Los Angeles 25 years ago. Lufkin is represented by Adams-Hill Co. in San Francisco.

New West Coast sales and service operations for The Denison Engineering Co., Columbus, Ohio, manufacturer of oil hydraulic equipment, are located at 565 North Prairie St., Hawthorne, Calif. WILLIAM D. PETERS is branch manager and VICTOR P. PREIDIS is sales engineer.

ROBERT R. WILLIAMSON, formerly of Stevens Institute of Technology, joins staff of Librascope, Inc., 1607 Flower St., Glendale 1, Calif. In his new post, Williamson will direct an advanced digital computer program under way at Librascope.

Farr Co., Los Angeles manufacturer of filters and air filtration equipment, appoints ROBERT S. BEBB as division sales manager, Western division, and JAMES E. MATUSKA as Northwest district sales manager.

Alignment Instrument Associates Hollywood, Calif., now represents Joel Fox Co., Inc., Los Angeles producer of Align-A-Scope optical tooling instruments, in 11 Western

Norris-Thermador Corp. appoints Ron MASTICK cylinder sales manager, Western area (Los Angeles) and James S. Lock-HEAD manager of plumbing sales, for Southern California.

Latchford Marble Glass Co. forms two new subsidiary sales organizations, Latchford Marble Package & Supply Co., Los Angeles, and Latchford Marble Container and Supply Co., with offices in San Francisco and Fresno. John B. McCandless is president of Latchford Marble Package & Supply Co., and WILLIAM SIMKINS, vice president and sales manager for the parent company, is executive vice president. Officers of Latchford Marble Container and Supply Co. in-clude Simkins as president and McCandless as vice president; and W. B. MARBLE, JR., and E. E. BALLING as secretary and treasurer respectively of both new companies. FRANK A. Toso is in charge of sales in San Francisco territory, and Clarence Coulter in the Fresno area. KENNETH HOFFMAN and RALPH D. FORSMAN handle glass and supply orders in the San Francisco office.





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DICK LEWIS is appointed district representative at Kansas City, Mo., for The Frank G. Hough Co., Libertyville, Ill., and will cover the Western states of Wyoming, Colorado and Nebraska.

THOMAS A. HARVEY, newly appointed Western regional manager for Cullman Wheel Co., establishes offices 418 North Glendale Ave., Glendale 6, Calif. He will cover the states of California, Arizona and Nevada.

Central Scientific Co. moves to a new office building at 1040 Martin Ave., Santa Clara, Calif.

The Flox Co., Inc., distributor of Nalco chemicals, moves from 1132 N.W. Glisan St. to 5329 N.E. Union Ave., Portland 11, Ore. Telephone: GArfield 0276.



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TRANSOCEAN AIR LINES executive vice president, Samuel L. Wilson, seated, is signing a contract which establishes Talchem, Transocean subsidiary as United States and foreign distributor for products of Wyandotte Chemicals Corp. Standing are: (left) Lloyd F. Coates, general manager of Talchem, and P. S. Spencer, district sales manager of J. B. Ford Division of Wyandotte Corp.

C. B. Hunt & Son, Inc., Salem, Ohio, manufacturer of air and hydraulic control valves appoints three new Western representatives as follows: Circle Seal Supply Co., 2181 E. Foothill Blvd., Pasadena, Calif., for Southern California territory; Process Equipment Co., 1663 Central St., Denver, Colo., for Colorado, Wyoming and parts of Montana and New Mexico; and Pollard and Co., South 121 Madison St., Spokane, Wash., for eastern Washington and parts of Idaho.

Allegheny Steel Band Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., manufacturer of steel strapping and accessories, names R. D. LOESBY district sales manager of firm's new Seattle sales office.

Hydraulic Power & Equipment Co., Portland, Ore., is named distributor for O-ring seals manufactured by The Parker Appliance Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

Roberts Motor Co., Portland, Ore., forms a new firm, Truck and Industrial Equipment Co., to carry and service a full line of truck and industrial equipment, including Bendix-Westinghouse air brake and Waukesha Motor products. FLOYD CHAPMAN will be manager of Truck and Industrial Equipment Co. He will be assisted by PAUL RABBACH. Pending completion of Roberts Motor's building at 123 Pacific Ave., both firms will be housed at 7 N.E. Oregon St.

The Bellows Co. of Calif. names CLIFFORD S. VAUGHN as assistant to manager. Vaughn was field engineer in Los Angeles territory prior to this advance.

Joseph Whitwell, 917 East Baseline Rd., Claremont, Calif., is designated as engineering sales representative in the California area for *Micro Metallic Corp.*, Glen Cove, N. Y.

FRANK L. PARKER becomes director of sales development and public relations for Plexolite Sales Co., Los Angeles. Fiberglas Engineering & Supply Co. is appointed Northern California distributor for Plexolite Sales Co.

Waco-May Co., Los Angeles, West Coast licensee manufacturer and distributor of Waco equipment, grants Waco Scaffolding Co., 535 E. Channel St., Stockton, Calif., exclusive distribution rights in Stockton-Merced area for sectional steel scaffolding equipment manufactured by Wilson-Albrecht Co., Inc., Minneapolis, Minn. Sam Wallach is appointed general manager of new Stockton firm.

David W. Jones, Jr., sales representative for tubular products division of *The Babcock & Wilcox Co.*, Beaver Falls, Pa., opens new offices in Goby Bldg., 1321 Bannock St., Denver, Colo. Jones handles division's complete line of seamless and welded, carbon, alloy and stainless steel tubing in Rocky Mountain area.

U.S. Hoffman Machinery Corp., Syracuse, N. Y., appoints the following firms as engineering representatives for its industrial filtration division products: Burson Sales, 4942 Colorado Blvd., Denver, Colo.; Clarence Silver Co., 550 West 7th St. So., Salt Lake City, Utah; Thomas S. Wood, 220 9th Ave. N., Seattle 9, Wash.; Dawson Machinery Co., 5700-4 First Ave. So., Seattle, Wash.; Belilove Co., 420 Market St., San Francisco, Calif.; Chester Paul Co., 1605 Victory Blvd., Glendale, Calif.

New West Coast office of Tocco Division of Ohio Crankshaft Co., Cleveland, Ohio, is located at 3349 Union Pacific Ave., Los Angeles. Under management of Harlam A. Messner, complete engineering, sales and service facilities for Tocco induction heating equipment are now available to West Coast industry.

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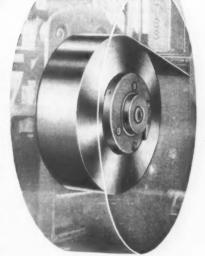
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Quaker Rubber Corp., division of H. K. Porter Co., Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., opens a new Pacific Northwest regional factory warehouse and offices in Portland, Ore. Milton L. Clark, Philadelphia, is assigned duties as regional manager.

W. N. Cunning is new Northern California representative for *Photoswitch*, *Inc.*, manufacturer of industrial electronic and photoelectric controls. His office is located at 7 Front St., San Francisco.

D. W. Seagrave is new regional service supervisor for Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co.'s Pacific region, with headquarters in San Francisco. RICHARD H. NICHOLSON takes over as sales representative in the San Francisco district office.

Industrial Electric Service Co., Inc., Crescent City, Calif., is appointed as a distributor for Allis-Chalmers general machinery division.

Westinghouse Electric Corp, names Robert W. McLean as Pacific Coast market development representative. McLean, who will headquarter in San Francisco, joined Westinghouse in 1949. Thomas O. Whittaker is appointed Northern California district apparatus and supply sales promotion manager, with headquarters in San Mateo.

ROBERT F. WHITE is promoted to Western division parts representative for Caterpillar Tractor Co. White joined Caterpillar in 1939.

ROY BACKMAN, former general sales manager of Western Airlines and more recently vice-president in charge of sales and traffic for Alaskan Airlines, takes over as sales manager-products for Pacific Airmotive Corp., Burbank. Backman, who will also



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act as advertising manager, joined Pacific Airmotive Corp. three months ago as sales division consultant. George T. Keller, former manager-customer service department, is advanced to sales manager-maintenance.

JOHN R. MORRILL becomes a partner and general manager of Gibson Welding Supplies and Inland Oxy-Acetylene Co., Inc., Spokane, Wash. Morrill was vice president of Baker Raulang Co., Cleveland, prior to assuming these new duties.

H. W. ROBERTS, Roberts Motors, Portland, establishes Truck & Industrial Equipment Co. to carry a full line of truck and industrial parts, equipment, and supplies, including those manufactured by Westinghous Electric Co. FLOYD CHAPMAN is manager and PAUL RABBACH is assistant manager.

The Cold Metal Products Co. of Calif., Los Angeles, appoints Leonard W. Renk as head of its sales and spring steel department. Renk was formerly associated with Precision Steel Warehouse, Chicago.

McCullock Motors Corp., Los Angeles, names Allen A. Harris as sales engineer.



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M. C. Nelson is advanced from general manager to vice president of Barksdale Valves, Los Angeles.

Grether & Grether, Stockton, Calif., is manufacturer's representative for Reliance Division of Eaton Manufacturing Co., Massillon, Ohio, in the states of Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, North and South Dakota. Firm will handle sales and services for Reliance lock washers, Springtites and Sems, snap bearing locks and retainer rings.

Marine Engineering & Supply Co., Los Angeles, is purchased by Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp.'s San Francisco subsidiary, Fiberglas Engineering & Supply Co. This Los Angeles company will become marine engineering division of Fiberglas Engineering & Supply Co.

ELLSWORTH R. FLETCHER, power and sales representative, *Portland General Electric Co.*, Portland, Ore., becomes industrial sales engineer, replacing JOHN D. SCOTT, who takes up special duties for the firm.

Petley Inc., 5424 E. Slauson Ave., Los Angeles industrial and automotive equipment engineers, make three major executive changes. William K. Petley, elected vice president and director, will also supervise kitchen cabinet sales for Southern California and Arizona district. RAY SMITH takes over southwest Los Angeles territory of industrial sales division (including Long Beach, Torrance, El Segundo, Wilmington and San Pedro). Henry C. Becker becomes manager of automotive sales for Southern California district.

DONALD JORDAN becomes office manager for Jantzen Knitting Mills, Inc., Portland, Ore.



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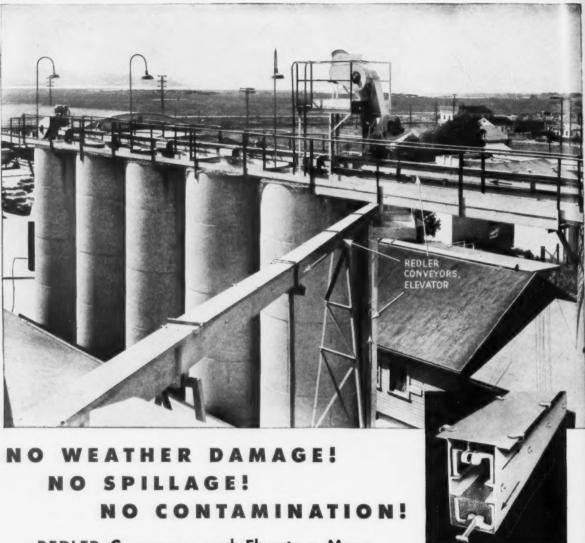
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